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**Springtime in The Community Garden**

Full write-up page 54.

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1. Doreen, Tony & Laurie
2. Jennifer
3. Doreen
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**October Cover**

Even though it is spring and our gardens and the bush are filled with beautiful spring colour, this month's cover celebrates what 'came before'. The photo features Rakia Stokell's two children Cameron Baxter (in grey) & Nathan Baxter (in Navy), playing with the leaves in autumn at Borello Park. This photo won the People's Choice Category and a Judges' Highly Commended in the recent photography competition held at the Family Centre. (See details of all winners on page 11). It is also timely, as the decision on the approval of toilets at Borello Park has finally happened in Council. (See the Councillors Notes on page 47.)



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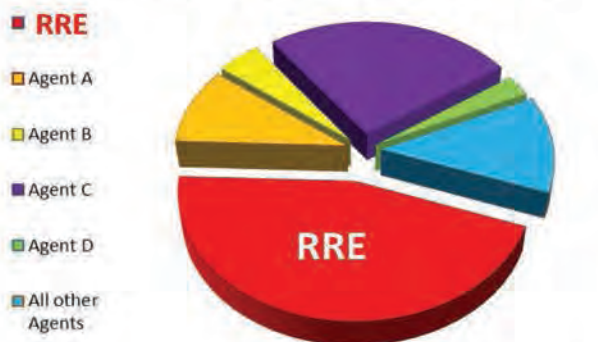
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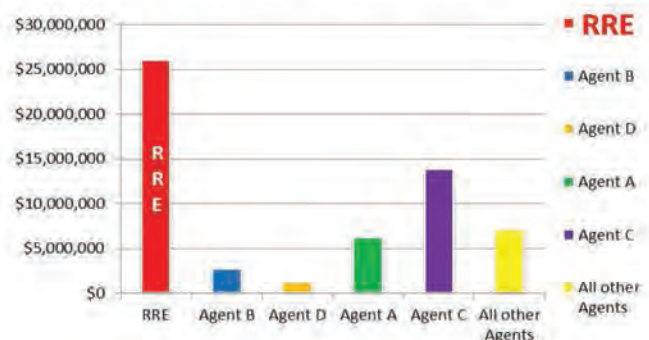
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as at 2nd Sept 2013 Source: REIWA



**Number of Sales in Roleystone**  
1 Jan to 2nd Sept 2013 Source: REIWA



**Total Dollar Value of Sales Roleystone**  
1st Jan to 2nd Sept 2013 Source: REIWA



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## John Re-visits His Dad's Mountain

*In mid-September, Roleystone's own John Meharry was invited to join a crew who have re-visited WA's Highest Peak and placed a plaque on its summit to celebrate the discovery 46 years ago. Mount Meharry is located in the Hamersley Ranges within the south eastern part of Karijini National Park in the Pilbara.*

*Mount Meharry is named after John's Dad, William Thomas ("Tom") Meharry (who died in 1967), the Chief Geodetic Surveyor for WA. The Mountain was discovered by Surveyor Trevor Markey and his party in 1967 and Tom Meharry directed the survey party and performed the calculations that confirmed the mountain was the highest peak in Western Australia. Prior to this, Mount Bruce, 62 km northwest of Mount Meharry, was thought to be the highest but Meharry is 15 m (49 ft) higher!*

*After Tom Meharry's sudden death the peak was named after him. NB In 1999 and in 2002, Gina Rinehart, daughter of Lang Hancock, applied to rename the mountain after her father but this request was declined on both occasions.*

*Here is John's story of the trip:*

A surprise phone call on Thursday 5th September from Phil Richards of MHR Surveying, asked me if I would like to be part of a group he had organized to build a more permanent stone cairn. This was to include a plaque to honour all surveyors and my father. I was delighted to accept.

I flew by Qantas jet to Newman and then by helicopter to Coondewanna Airport to stay at BHP-Billiton Area C packsaddle campsite.

With a 6:30am start some of the surveyors and I drove for about 2 hours via Juna Downs Road and a rough 4WD track to the summit of Mount Meharry. Other members of the group flew by helicopter to the summit in about 15 minutes. There were 3 Curtin University Surveying students and their supervisor Tony Snow, Ken Leighton and Kent Wheeler from Landgate(DOLA), 4 surveyor friends of Phil Richards (Cliff Whitworth, Gerry Gorman, Greg Fleming, Wayne Garwood), Susan Standen (ABC Open producer - Pilbara), Jasmine Bamford (North West Telegraph), also Rochelle van der Meer (Heliwest Operations) and Brad Irons (Heliwest pilot).

We collected many ute loads of rocks while others constructed the new cairn. The utes were left at the summit of Mt Meharry and the crew were ferried by helicopter back to camp on Saturday afternoon.

On Sunday we were flown back to complete the cairn, secure the plaque and celebrate the completion of the Mt Meharry Project 2013. The vehicles returned to camp and others flew by helicopter.

On Monday morning 16th September we said goodbye to everyone. I certainly enjoyed the experience and companionship. I then made my way back to Newman and finally back home to Roleystone.





*Pictured at left:  
the plaque on top  
of Mt Meharry  
commemorating  
John Meharry's  
Father.  
This is the highest  
point in WA.*

## ARMADALE YOUNG WRITERS' AWARDS WINNERS

Talented young writers from across the City of Armadale were awarded at the Armadale Young Writers' Awards presentation on Friday 6 September at Seville Grove Library. This year's Awards received 71 entries from schools in the district with writers ranging from Years 5 to 10.

*See next page for Southern Christian College, overall winners in the competition.*

From Roleystone Community College, year 6 students Grace Bushby and Georgia Bamford-Purchon both won awards. (Unfortunately Georgia is overseas on vacation and was not present to accept her award. Her Dad accepted for her.) RCC is very proud of the students' achievements and also thanks their teacher Mrs Megan Jones for her wonderful and dedicated work with these girls and her class.

The City of Armadale has always been keen to promote writing and creative expression by our local young people. This year's entries showcased the impressive writing skills of students from schools including Roleystone Community College, Southern Hills Christian College and Kelmscott Senior High School. The judges have commended the young writers for the high level of stories produced and their creativity and clever character construction.



**Congratulations to Grace Busby, winner of one of the Young Writer Awards. Grace from RCC, is pictured with her mum Janet Busby.**



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## Chris is Made a Life Member

*Popular local personality, Christine Bloomer, was recently awarded Life Membership of the Roleystone Neighbourhood Family Centre. She was nominated for being: 'a very valuable office volunteer and management committee member over the last eleven years'.*

Chris has also taken on the task of running various groups or workshops over years of involvement with the Centre.

Her latest venture is the very successful Roleystone Singers group.

Chris has always given her time gladly to take on any of the tasks offered her as office member as well as serving

on the Management Committee for many years as both a committee member and an executive member in the role of Vice President. Chris has, on many occasions, stepped in to take over running the office when staff members are away or unwell and always runs the centre efficiently and competently.

Chris is a very valuable member of our community and has always been a great ambassador for the Roleystone Neighbourhood Family Centre.

*Sue Spry*

*Manager, Roleystone Neighbourhood Family Centre*



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## Local Writers Help Southern Hills

### Christian College Achieve Top Ranking

*Southern Hills Christian College was the overall winner of the Armadale Young Writers Award.*

*Paige Bain, won second place in the Years 9&10 category. Bruce Thonell won first prize in the Years 5&6 category, and his piece also made Southern Hills Christian College the overall winner in the competition. Bruce is a Roleystone resident. Paige, Mary and Bruce are pictured below.*

*Both students wrote stories which were deemed to be excellent, particularly due to their imaginative nature and control of language. I was pleased that our school had been recognised in this way, as my role as Literacy Coordinator, means that I work with students in all years, K – 12, encouraging literacy. The students were surprised and delighted to find that they were winners in this award.*

*Mary Gwynne*

*Head of Literacy*

*Southern Hills Christian College*





## Saving Lives Is Everyone's Job

Tuesday, 10th September 2013 at approximately 9.30am travelling the last down-hill bend of Heritage Drive just before swinging right to stop @ Croyden Road - skid marks, looks like a tradie's ute rolled over.....  
 smoke billowing out, engine noise.....  
 belongings, rubble thrown out amongst the crash site.....  
 I pull-over safely....  
 as I cross the road towards the embankment...I see 2 or 3 people using their mobiles to ring emergency services....  
 so instinct & body language tells me that it's under control.....  
 I get to the crash site.....

I immediately communicate with 2 key people.....Lee first & then "B". KEY from engine removed by "B" who is talking to the driver, engine & smoke still going.....  
 I ask the man his name and think I hear "Rob".....  
 I hold his hand & his fingers are moving, I tell him he's doing really well - emergency service will be here in a few minutes...  
 Rob acknowledges.....  
 I'm so thankful he is talking & staying with us. Those little trees saved the ute from rolling down, down & down. "B" is reassuring him, checking all around the vehicle. Lee is somehow co-ordinating with everyone, quietly, courageously checking through her first-aid knowledge. She can't see any blood. Engine stops turning over finally.....  
 I guess 5 minutes has passed  
 I move away as another lady, who is a nurse, stops and goes down to the crash scene to speak with Lee & "B" and get status from a chap who

lives close by.....scampers up the embankment.....he heard an almighty BANG!!!

I speak to him.....it's good to share a minute with someone about what's happening. He goes down and sees how he can help "B"  
 Quite a few cars going in both directions, everyone cohesive and not getting in anyone's way. I go to assist Lee's mum with traffic flow. Waiting, waiting, staying calm, but anxious. Lee tells me there is blood at the back of his head. We are so grateful there is no fire.....  
 because Rob is trapped upside down & wedged. Lucky, lucky, lucky man. I can hear the ambulance, fire, police.....then helicopter, getting closer.... Ambulance arrives, Lee debriefs them, also "B". The first couple of police cars arrive.....Lee chats to them. More police & they are setting up road closures. A chopper is overhead, loud noise, but comforting at the same time!..... It lands opposite on private property, fire fighters also there. Getting out their jaws of life & other equipment....Lee & "B" talk to them. Lee's mum & I assisting the police & directing two-way traffic

**THANK YOU "B" & LEE** for everything you did that morning - when in a second, things went terribly wrong for someone!!!.....  
 YOU held your metal & carried on in an emergency & potentially tragic circumstances....your efforts were invaluable!  
 (Later on I find out that when you ring emergency.....YOU need to ask specifically the services you require & also tell them what equipment they need, etc).  
 these few words have ended up quite long, but IT HAS TO BE..... because any accident or natural disaster..... where people like you & me (members of the community) arrive..... play that crucial role in just "helping" with everything.... until the emergency crews arrive and take over  
 We don't want our names published.....just a message to reinforce the message that basic "first aid training" for every individual is so important & life saving..... THE BEST NEWS is that Rob (not his real name.....) is going to be well & truly OK!  
 Cheers & take care everyone!



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## Letter to the Editor

### Our Thanks

A couple of weeks ago, on a very stormy night, my husband & I were returning from the airport by taxi. As we turned off Tonkin Highway into Mills Road East the taxi blew its tyre. The driver & my hubby worked to remove the flat tyre while I signalled to warn traffic coming around the corner.

Luckily for us a car stopped and a lovely Roleystone local "Paul", gave the guys a hand to remove the tyre and then offered to give us a lift home along with the suitcases. We were so grateful to him and wish to say a big "thank you" for going out of his way to help us, especially nowadays when so many of us are afraid to stop and help others.

Once again thank you Paul.

*Gail & Graham Pound*

## Roleystone Community College Excursion to Kelmscott High School Farm

The year two students from rooms 3.4 and 3.5 got a wealth of experiences when they visited the Kelmscott High School Farm on Tuesday 3 September. Not even the grey skies could dampen their spirits.

Guided by friendly farmer Norm Hammond, the students collected eggs, fed the sheep and carefully handled fluffy chicks and baby rabbits. They were very fortunate to see a Friesian cow being milked by a milking machine. The children also saw animals such as pigs, horses, alpacas and a lucky farm cat called "Tractor". They added to the farm's vegetable garden by each planting a seedling.

The year two students got valuable insight into how primary goods are produced and the hard work involved in managing a farm.

Everyone had a wonderful time and the children are still excitedly talking about their experiences.

Thank you to the parents and grandparents who helped us on the day.

*Mrs Brown, Mrs Waddell  
and Mrs Larkin  
RCC year two Teachers.*



*Pictured at left: Sienna Wellburn at KSHS Farm*







## Denson & Claire

### The Turning

*Seventeen talented Australian directors were given a challenge to create a film adaptation of one chapter of Tim Winton's novel The Turning. One of these was undertaken by local Cinematographer Denson Baker & his Director wife, Claire McCarthy.*

This movie is remarkable and consists of linking and overlapping stories. It explores the extraordinary turning

points in ordinary people's lives in a stunning portrait of a small coastal community. As characters face second thoughts and regret, relationships irretrievably alter, resolves are made or broken and lives change direction forever.

Denson Baker grew up in Kelmscott/Roleystone and went to Kelmscott Primary School; a school built by his great-great grandfather Thomas Buckingham Jr.

Denson is a sixth generation 'Buckingham'; the original settlers of the area, and can trace his ancestry back to the first family to farm in Roleystone!

He is also a world renowned cinematographer! He has now returned to live in the area and has brought his internationally renowned Director wife Claire and their young son Pax, with him. They are finding that there is more than enough work available in Western Australia.

*The Turning* opened in cinemas across Perth from September 26th.

*The photo is of Denson and Claire and was taken by local teacher, Daniel Holliday.*

## Kelmscott SHS 40th Anniversary Celebrations

Kelmscott Senior High School has, over the past 40 years, provided numerous local residents with a quality secondary education. KSHS is proud to announce the 40th Anniversary Celebrations. This is a terrific opportunity to catch up with past school mates and meet some old KSHS teaching staff.

Date: Sunday 20th October from 11:00 to 4:00

Look forward to:

- a walk down memory lane with ex KSHS- students and staff at the teahouse and bar
- Music and Entertainment Fun at the farm
- Displays of old KSHS memorabilia
- An assembly in the Pries Centre with ex KSHS head boys and head girls

We look forward to seeing you there!

*Grant Armstrong*



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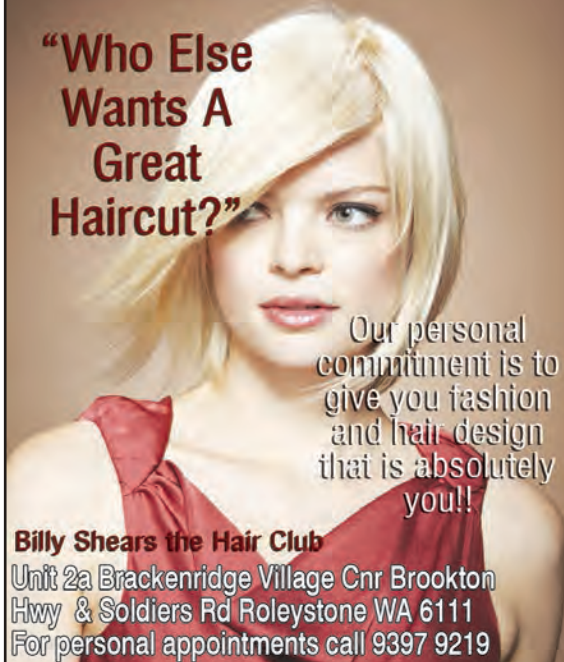
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## DON RANDALL OUTLINES HIS POSITION ON FENTHION

*At the time of publication, the APVMA had still not made a decision about the use of Fenthion in the fight against Medfly for the 2013/2014 season.*

*Don Randall, as the returned Member for Canning, wants to ensure local orchardists that he is supportive of their requests to secure the safe and effective use of Fenthion into the future.*

**What will a Coalition Federal Government do to support orchardists? Will the spray limit be increased to three indefinitely?**  
A Coalition Government would bend over backwards to make sure the continued safe use of Fenthion works for industry. In the short term, to address the needs of the current season, we will work to arrange a permit for the effective use of a third spray.

**What guarantees can you give those worrying about their health due to Fenthion sprays?**

Science is critically important in determining the safe use of Fenthion, and Fenthion has a long record of having safe, effective use.

**What is the feedback you have received back from growers?**

Growers were very grateful and happy to have not only local representation but also an incoming government that will provide security and stability to the future of their industry by giving clear and decisive messages that we will support them to maintain their business. We will not make any knee-jerk decisions in reaction to special interest groups that will be detrimental to their industry.

**Why is this an important issue?**

This is a highly important issue because if we don't protect our local industry we rely on imports from overseas, and the Coalition supports Australia being a country that makes things, grows things, and exports. Poor management of the issue threatens their livelihoods and the stone fruit industry in general – in the Hills and elsewhere. The further effect is the loss of jobs and loss of food security in Australia.

## Nineteen Candidates for Council Elections

*The call for candidate nominations for the City of Armadale resulted in 19 candidate nominations being received.*

There was one nomination received for the Heron Ward from the currently serving Councillor Donna Shaw. Councillor Shaw was declared elected unopposed.

Details of the six ward elections, to fill one vacancy in each ward, are as follows:

Jarrah: ANSTEY, Brad, WIELINGA, Caroline, Den HAAN, Theo, SCIDONE, Laurie

Lake: PIIPPONEN, Timothy, FROST, Carole, VIRK, Sam, MAUGER, Wayne

Minnawarra: NORMAN, Matthew, MEHTA, Homi, BRUNING, Derek, LAMOTTE, Wendy

Neerigen: BUSBY, Bret, BEST, Guenter

Palomino: CAMPBELL, Colin, MUBARAKAI, Scherezade

River: SARGESON, Laurance, BUTTERFIELD, Ruth

Candidate profiles can be viewed on [www.armadale.wa.gov.au](http://www.armadale.wa.gov.au).

Postal election packages, including ballot papers for voting will be mailed to electors from Wednesday 25 September. Electors then have until 6pm on Election Day, Saturday 19 October, to cast their vote. If by Tuesday 1 October 2013 you have not received your election package, contact the City of Armadale to receive a replacement package.

For more information on the City's local elections visit [www.armadale.wa.gov.au](http://www.armadale.wa.gov.au) or call 9399 0111.

*Roleystone Courier readers are directed to pages 42 and 43 for bios on all candidates.*

*Congratulations to all four for nominating and best of luck in your endeavours. Ed.*



## RNFC Photography Competition



*Pictured at Top: People's Choice Winner, John Russell's picture of his daughter Lilly Russell. Above: Jo-Ann Colyer at the photo competition.*

The results of the Roleystone Neighbourhood Family Centre photographic competition are as follows:

1st prize 18yrs + My Roleystone Community, Rakia Stokell  
 1st Prize 18yrs + My Family, Douglas Jess  
 1st Prize 13 – 17 yrs, My Roleystone Community, Jessica Hammen  
 1st Prize 13 – 17 yrs, My Family Jessica Hammen

2nd Prize 18yrs + My Family, Jocelyn Jones  
 2nd Prize 18 yrs + My Roleystone Community, Jaya Treespirit  
 2nd Prize 13 – 17 yrs My Roleystone Community, Pheobe Durnford

Highly Commended, Rakia Stokell  
 People's Choice, John Russell.  
 The winner of the raffle hamper was Megan Barraclough.

**Sue Spry**  
 Manager Roleystone  
 Neighbourhood Family Centre

## Letter to the Editor

### RNFC Photography Course Is Well Worth It

In July 2011 I purchased my first ever DSLR. I had no idea how to use anything other than the Auto setting, despite various people trying to explain manual settings to me many times. When I saw the introduction to photography course being offered at the Family Centre, I jumped at the chance to attend. I just wanted to be able to take photos without using the Auto setting. Adele Miles explained it in terms I could understand! Finally, I was getting the hang of aperture and shutter speed. Well, after that introductory course I was hooked and I attended all of the photography courses (and even the Photoshop ones) being offered at the Family Centre. Well worth the small investment, and I recommend them to everyone I meet who is interested in getting more out of their camera.

**Rakia Stokell**

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# Editorial

LINDA MOORE OCTOBER 2013

*On the recent Federal Election day I was serving as a Declaration Officer at a booth in Armadale and my whole day was clouded by my first customer.*

He was a large, angry tradesman who was obviously not overjoyed with 'being able to exercise his democratic right to vote'. He gruffly took the papers from me and wrote some obscenity on the senate paper. No-one actually got to see what

he had written because he then tore the senate paper up, stamped on it and walked out of the polling office. Now he was obviously unhappy but the only person who witnessed this was me (and the person waiting behind in the line). His act of defiance didn't change anything!

Having worked inside elections over many years I KNOW that the only way anything can be made to change, is by voting. And being a political junkie, I feel that voting wisely (even if it means voting below the line and numbering every box!) is very important.

Well, at least it is all over for the next few years. Or is it?

No! During October we have the chance to vote in our local government elections.

The most important aspects (or at least the ones that effect our comfort on a daily basis) are actually those covered by our local Shires/Councils. Yet voting for our councillors is optional. And only about 25% of people (this rate is about 30% in Jarrah Ward) bother to do so. And it couldn't be easier - your vote is just a matter of selecting a candidate and putting the vote in the post (for free).

Does our low rate of compliance mean that only one quarter of folk notice/complain about aspects from the regularity of rubbish collection, the provision of footpaths and whether or not dogs should be free to roam our communities? I think not. It is more likely that we just forget to do it.

We have four people running for the vacancy in Jarrah Ward (see the candidate's bios on page 42 and 43). Brad Anstey, Theo den Haan, Laurie Scidone and Caroline Wielinga are all vying to join Grant Nixon as our representatives on Council. Well done to them all for having a go and for being prepared to offer their services to our community for very small remuneration. Plus, I think that all present and previous Councillors would agree, that it is often a thankless task.

So please take the time to make your decision and cast your vote. Our community will be better served if folk have taken the time to understand what passions, skills and strengths our Councillors bring to the position. The October Courier is again packed and of course it is spring time and show time coming up. Wishing you all the best for spring and I hope you enjoy the read.

Linda

*Pictured below:*

*Ros Baker was the first person to buy my book 'Secrets Mothers Keep'. Violet and I were able to deliver her copy to her, in late September.*



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## Jean Patricia Ritter 1924 - 2013

Mrs Jean Ritter aged 89, passed away on Friday 13 September 2013 - peacefully and with family by her side, at Murdoch Hospital. Mrs Ritter lived with her husband Paul and six children on Brookton Highway, near the Roleystone/Kelmscott border from 1965 to 1980.

The family came to Australia when Paul was appointed from Nottingham, England as the first City Planner of Perth.

Mr and Mrs Ritter met at Liverpool University in England. Mrs Ritter graduated with science and educational qualifications and became a biology teacher, at Liverpool's Aigburth Vale High School for girls.

Mrs Ritter made a major contribution to educational and community life in Western Australia. She was secretary of the School Council at Kelmscott Senior High School during some of its fledgling years from 1976-1979. Mrs Ritter was also Chairperson

of the Kindergarten Teachers Training College in Perth for 7 years, a member of the Management Committee of the Lady Gowrie Centre, assisting the early education of children in the 1970's and the chair of the Association for the Welfare of Children in Hospital (AWCH) that obtained greater parental access to hospitalised children.

Since 1975, Mrs Ritter was a Member and then a Fellow of the Australian College of Educators.

Mr and Mrs Ritter moved to Kalamunda in 1980. She lived in the same house until her passing. Mr Ritter had passed away in 2010.

Mrs Ritter's interest in education never dissipated and she was a member of and contributor to the University of the Third Age (U3A) for a number of her later years.

One of Mrs Ritter's passions was creating and stitching her own free form tapestries, for which she won an award and was commended by Dame Joan Sutherland. The tapestries are viewable at Painting with Wool, Spontaneous Tapestries by Jean Ritter - <http://www.jean-ritter-tapestries.id.au/index.html>

Her six children, 16 grand children and five great grandchildren survive Mrs Ritter.

**Mark Ritter.**

*Vale Jean Ritter. The impact you and your husband had on our community was immense. Linda Moore.*

## Buy It - Read It - I Did!

I have just finished "Secrets Mothers Keep" by our very own Linda Moore nee Bettenay. A truly wonderful read. Go to [www.lindasbooks.com.au](http://www.lindasbooks.com.au). You can download an electronic version now or purchase the paperback version from the website from October 1st. I was lucky enough to be the 'test pilot' for the ebook and couldn't put it down. I can't wait for the next book. Linda has said it will be based around Roleystone and Karragullen.

**Diane Horgan**  
Roleystone



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## ZIA'S

*We had a most enjoyable meal at Zia's Ristorante, Italian restaurant in early September. The decor and furnishings are delightful and right from our entrance we felt 'the class' of the place. The food was delightful, tasty but without being overly rich. Well done to the owners and staff. Linda and Mike Moore, Luke and Gill Nass.*

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## Letter to the Editor

### Our Thanks

We have just returned to Victoria having spent a wonderful week in Western Australia. We didn't have a lot of time to do any major trips however we did the normal tourist trips to Fremantle and Kings Park and over the last weekend in August we came up to Araluen to view the magnificent tulips. They were wonderful and the park was so attractive. This was a real surprise to us as we did not think we would see such a beautiful temperate garden in a location renowned for being so arid. Roleystone people are so lucky to have this gem on their doorstep!

On the way home we stopped at a delightful cafe, Genesis in the Hills, and had the best coffee and some most delectable cakes. It was warm and inviting and the service was outstanding. We also picked up your magazine, the Roleystone Courier, and were impressed by the quality of the production. Roleystone folk sure are lucky to have this.

The drive up and back, through the hills was pretty and everyone we met over the day was welcoming. This was the best day of our holiday to the West. Few people from Victoria see Western Australia as having anything much to offer besides lovely beaches, wide open spaces and the many experiences available in the South West of your state. This day trip, so close to Perth and so very attractive was at least as good as anything we have in the Yarra Valley.

So well done Roleystone, we enjoyed our time in your wonderful environs.

*Chelsea and Mark Woodhams  
Shepparton, Victoria.*

## PIONEER VILLAGE SCHOOL FAYRE

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will be able to enjoy live entertainment, rides and sideshow games. During the day, medieval re-enactments will be provided by the Grey Company.

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*Allyson George.*

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## FAREWELL, ELIZABETH LODGE



*Beloved community member, Elizabeth Lodge, passed away on the 9th of September after an eleven month battle with cancer. Gary and Liz Lodge, lived in Roleystone for the past thirty years.*

*All of their children, Jamie, Libby, Hayley and Toni, attended schools in the area.*

*We would all like for our Mum to be remembered fondly. She always had a smile on her face, and was always willing to help out a neighbour.*

*We would also like to thank all of the people in our wonderful community who have offered their condolences and thoughts to us during this extremely difficult time.*

*Toni Lodge*



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**Gavin Zimmer on the Summit of Pequeno Alpamayo**

## THE ICE ADVENTURERS ARE BACK

In August, Jessica Hayes and Gavin Zimmer went to Bolivia in South America to attempt to climb four summits: Pequeno Alpamayo (5379m), the right wing of Condoriri (5630m), Huayna Potosi (6088m) and Illimani standing at 6462m!

They were climbing as part of the Telethon Adventurers.

Unfortunately Jess Hayes made no summits. She reached Huayna Potosi high camp at 5135m and Illimani high camp at 5500m, having struggled with altitude and gastro.

However the rest of the team did amazingly well! Gavin Zimmer reached the summit of Pequeno Alpamayo, Huayna Potosi and Illimani. Gary Kingston summited Pequeno Alpamayo, the right wing of the Condor (5630m), Huayna Potosi and Illimani. Baz Everest summited Huayna Potosi. This was Baz's first

ever summit! Theo Wye summited Pequeno Alpamayo and Huayna Potosi.

'I'm so proud of the boys! They did the Telethon Adventurers and all their family and friends proud!' Jess the Team leader said.

'The coldest, longest, hardest and most enjoyable thing I have ever done,' Gav reflected.

'Having climbed in Nepal, Africa and Europe I thought I knew what I was in for, but our main goal Nevado Illimani, put me in my place! At around 6300m on summit day, already having climbed for 5hrs and just seeing the first ray of light, I genuinely considered turning back. The summit was covered in thick dark cloud; the -25deg C wind was giving me frost nip through 3 layers of gloves and the altitude was keeping me to a 5 step, 10 breath pace.'

'I quickly realised this was more serious than the "brochure" made out. Of our 8 person team 1 stayed in La Paz and 2 had left base camp and returned to the city due to illness. With our deteriorating health from 17 days high in the mountains and the fact that none of us were keeping much fluid down, another 3 team members decided they would sit tight at high camp. This left Gary and me being in the best shape (did I mention not keeping fluids down) so we decided we had to at least try for the summit. Somehow, amazingly, Gary made his 4th summit of the trip and I made my 3rd. We got back down safely and happily collapsed in our tents.'

'The whole trip was a great success, the team got along incredibly well with everyone reaching the highest point they had been. Some had more luck with illness than others and that went hand in hand with their summit bids. However, the main and most important part of our trip was that we have raised over \$15,000 for childhood cancer research, and I'd like to thank everyone who has supported us with their donations.'

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**Gavin climbs an IceFlow**

Some words from Jess:

'Bolivia is the most beautiful country I have ever been to. We toured the city of La Paz, visiting the music museum, Moon Valley, Killi Killi lookout and Plaza Murillo. We got to visit Copacabana on the shores of Lake Titicaca, get blessed by an Aymaran Catholic priest on the lookout before heading to the top of Holy Mountain - Cerro Calvario (4023m) where we watched the sun set over Lake Titicaca, taste freshly caught and cooked trout, hike the spine of Isla del Sol - playing hide and seek among Incan ruins.'

'We camped at the shore of Lake Chiarkhota in Condoriri national park, practise ice climbing, abseiling, walking with crampons and self arresting. We were followed by one of the porter's dogs, almost from where we were dropped off, up to Illimani base camp, and then to high camp the next day. It was like a Kelpie and all it had on it was a little scarf on its neck. It was gorgeous! He kept tugging at the straps on my backpack and chewing our trekking poles and tried to sneak in to the tent at high camp (it was freezing).'

'The team had the opportunity to attempt four summits. We drove through Palca which is a large canyon where you have incredible views of Illimani. To top it all off the whole team mountain biked down Death Road on our last day!'

'The team had raised just over \$15,000 for Telethon.' The last event on their schedule was to be held on Wednesday the 18th of September at Rydges Hotel Perth, hosting Mountaineer Tim Macartney-Snape, Australia's most celebrated mountaineer but have had to postpone until March 2014 for multiple reasons. They invite you to keep an eye on the events calendar at [www.theadventurers.com.au](http://www.theadventurers.com.au).

Well done to Jess and Gavin and the team for your awesome efforts and the wonderful generosity of donating the funds to Cancer Research.

*Jess Hayes and Gavin Zimmer*

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## Friday 18 and Saturday 19 October

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This year the Show is again smoke-free and children under 15 when accompanied by an adult will enter for free thanks to the State Government. The Kelmscott Agricultural Society will be presenting a fresh approach to the entertainment this year, an increased number of local school groups and the introduction of the Kelmscott Idol, proudly sponsored by the Roleystone-Karragullen Community Bank Branch of Bendigo Bank and Classic Sounds.

As with previous years, there will be a wide variety of animals from pigeons and poultry to sheep and cattle. There will be the Farmyard nursery where the children can pat some animals and view the raptors and reptiles. There will be the ever popular sideshow alley and log chop.

For the parents, there will be the River Markets on the Saturday and the many competitive exhibits in Flowers to Painting to be viewed. Ending each night will be the SmokeFree WA Fireworks Spectacular.

The Kelmscott Agricultural Society would like to thank our valued Sponsors who ensure that we can run this fantastic community event. Without these sponsors and support from Lotterywest and the City of Armadale, putting on an event of this size would not be possible.

Additionally, as the community might not know, this event continues to be organised by a small group of community minded volunteers who give up their time during the year. If you would like to join this group or volunteer your time at the Show, please contact the Society.

For admission prices and more information on our attractions and entertainment visit our website at <http://kelmscottshow.com.au> or visit us on Facebook or Twitter.



### Lots of Fun In A Tutu

Three local Roleystone girls completed the City to Surf Fun Run - and they did it in style. Sporting pink tutus and bling they completed the 12km walk/run in 1hr 37m; ranked in positions 663, 666 & 668 out of 7882 people in their category.

The girls are: Courtney Allender (nbr 38019), Grace Allison (nbr 34580) and Georgina McWalter (nbr 35331). Georgina has competed before but Courtney & Grace were first-timers. They are all 13 years old and they all made their tutus themselves.

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*The staff at Mulberry Tree, would like to wish Rebecca Zito all the best for the rest of her pregnancy and the birth of her baby.  
 Rebecca will be leaving Mulberry Tree on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September to commence her maternity leave.  
 Good luck Rebecca.  
 (We will all miss you.)  
 NB: Rebecca is pictured at left, before her pregnancy.*

## Term 3@ Mulberry Tree

During September we have been celebrating National Food Week. We have been looking at foods from different cultures and countries. Parents are encouraged to share recipes from their homes, so that we can make these dishes for the children to try.  
 The chickens are doing really well. They are laying at least 2/3 eggs per day now and these are being used in our cooking. The children also decorated their own eggs in Kindy.  
 The Kindy children also planted their own peach tree in the garden. They will continue to watch this grow and keep it watered.  
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## Charles (Charlie) Agar 22/1/1952 – 31/8/2013

*Married to Margaret. Father to Craig and Stacey and Father-in-law to Bianca. Son of George (dec) and Ivy (dec) of Morawa. Son-in-law to Jim and Pat (dec) Hay.*  
 Charlie grew up in Morawa and attended primary school there. He attended and boarded at Guildford Grammar for secondary schooling.  
 When Charlie and Margaret were first married, he played for the Roleystone Karragullen Cricket Club for a couple of seasons. He was a very keen sportsman and played Aussie Rules Football, golf and lawn bowls among others. While at Guildford he rowed in the Head of the River.  
 He and Margaret separated when he needed to live and work down at Bunbury to manage the Stirling Freight depot. Stirling Freight bought out Charlie's courier firm – Highway Express. He resigned from this position about 4 or 5 years ago due to ongoing problems with his amputated leg.  
 He absolutely adored his children and was so proud of them both. In April this year he was able to attend Craig and Bianca's wedding. This was a truly happy event for the family.



After several biopsies and MRIs, Charlie was officially diagnosed with Melanoma on 31<sup>st</sup> July and spent the last month of his life in and out of hospital. He was given 1 dose of a new drug called Yervoy which fortunately has just been added to the PBS. He also had a couple of sessions of chemotherapy but unfortunately he succumbed to the disease exactly one month after his diagnosis. We can only be thankful that he died peacefully and quickly in hospital.  
 I would also like to take this time to thank everyone for their love, prayers and support to our family. In particular to all the doctors, pharmacists and other medical professionals who looked after him, a very big thank you.  
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## SEPTEMBER'S MARKET, A GREAT SUCCESS

### It's all about our Community in Roleystone!

The third Roleystone Markets were held on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> September, and yet again we were overwhelmed by the support of the community and the excitement within our suburb.

A car boot sale was also held in conjunction with this Spring Markets, and the Roleystone Market Committee were pleased to be able to present a cheque for \$400 to the Roleystone Lawn Bowls Club, in exchange for their assistance in overseeing this event.

With every market, we owe a great debt of gratitude to the Bendigo Bank – Our Community Bank, for all the support they provide us. We would never even be able to hold one market if it wasn't for Bendigo Bank. During this market, they provided helium balloons to be given away to all the children. That certainly took care of any one in the committee's phobia of balloons! Our challenge for the next market is to get more people walking to the market. As we all know, parking is limited, and with so many visitors coming from out of town, it soon gets crowded on the surrounding streets. We are working with the City of Armadale to hopefully solve this issue, or at least reduce it.

The next market will be the Christmas Twilight Market, Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December, from 2pm til 7pm; as well as the usual high standard of stall holders and vendors, we will also be featuring some entertainment. Our local and very talented children will be entertaining you all, along with the Roleystone Singers getting us into the Christmas spirit and of course Roleystone's very own Paul Peacock will be up on the stage!

We have heard that Santa will be popping in, but due to the logistics, he won't be able to land the sleigh and all the reindeer on the oval while the stalls are set up. But you know Santa, I am sure he is thinking of a novel way to get around!

The Roleystone Markets Committee are always looking for ways the community groups, clubs or individuals can be involved in each markets and we welcome all suggestions and enquiries. Like us on Facebook or call Caren Dorman on 0421 363 220 to discuss.

1. Callum pats a calf at the Petting Zoo
2. Carla and Cobi looking at a goat.
3. Katie Ross and Mel Hall at Katie's Handbag Stall.





*Melissa, Roma and Serina Spiccia hand out fruit during the Karragullen Expo in 2012.*

## KARRAGULLEN EXPO 2013

On behalf of the Hills Orchard Improvement Group Committee, we would like to invite you all to the 30th Anniversary Karragullen Expo, to be held on Saturday 12th October. The response to this year's Expo has been overwhelming! We have received record bookings and there is an aura of excitement and anticipation surrounding the event. The pavilion is

now fully booked, and only very few sites remain on the oval. Please refer to our website [www.karragullenexpo.org.au](http://www.karragullenexpo.org.au) for the full list of exhibitors. We are excited to announce the team from Beyond Gardens will be filming at the Karragullen Expo for its Beyond Gardens live television series. They will be conducting presentations hourly, from 10am to 3pm, in the Bendigo Beyond Gardens Marquee. Our sincere thanks to our major sponsors: Countryman, Valle Verde Orchard, Roleystone-Karragullen Community Bendigo Bank, Gilbert's Fresh Market, Spudshed and Roleystone Real Estate.

Their contributions have enabled us to secure some major attractions to be enjoyed by all our visitors. So please come along and support this wonderful community event. We trust you and your family will enjoy this great day and help make this year's Karragullen Expo a truly memorable one. We look forward to seeing you there.  
**Bruno Del Simone**  
*Hills Orchard Improvement Group*

## Free Passes to the Karragullen EXPO still Available

A few adult passes to the 2013 Karragullen Expo are still available at the Roleystone Karragullen Bendigo Bank. The Hills Orchard Improvement Group has worked hard to make sure that this year's Karragullen Expo will be an event that offers something for everyone.

This very generous offer of free passes allows people from our community to come along. We are very thankful to our bank for making this possible.

So please make the time to visit our local bank and pick up your free pass.

**Bruno Del Simone,**  
*President of HOIG*



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**Trish and Darryl**

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# Karragullen EXPO 30<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY

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New Art Exhibition at Genesis in the Hills features Roleystone artist, Eugene Chattelle (above).

## 'Happenings' at Genesis in the Hills

Conductor Asher Fisch, will take up the position of Principal Conductor and Artistic Adviser of the West Australian Symphony Orchestra in 2014, for a period of three years. He came in September for a few weeks work and concerts with the orchestra and was seen at Genesis in the Hills having lunch and working with his assistant, preparing for a concert. See Asher above.



## Visit to Ashendon Forest Causes Extreme Concern

On 10 September we took a diverse group of people into Ashendon Forest within the Canning River catchment on the outskirts of the Perth Metropolitan Area. To say that the group was appalled at what they witnessed of the destruction and proposed destruction of forest is an understatement.

The timber industry is in crisis because the "amount of waste versus quantity of quality timber that can be extracted from the forest", has reached an unsustainable limit.

The damage now caused, and the waste created in the logging process, has to be seen to be believed.

"Business as usual" is not a suitable response to the issue of forest management in WA's South West native forests.

The proposal to log between 1,500 – 2,000sqkm of forest over a 10 year period at a cost to taxpayers of over \$9M per year versus the opportunity to gain an income from carbon credits at a rate of up to \$400M per year, would appear to be a "no brainer".

The government and the Forest Products Commission must look at the information available and enter into discussions with the public about how best to utilise the wonderful forest legacy we can leave for future generations.

The issue must be resolved in 2013 before

we are locked into another destructive 10 year logging cycle.

To prop up an un-economic and destructive industry with taxpayer funds, rather than making an effort to move into the modern world of plantations for timber and forests for their myriad of other uses including climate change mitigation and profitable carbon storage, is to sell short a wonderful State asset.

It would be better if, in this round of discussion on the future of our forests, we engage in a rational dialogue rather than the destructive adversarial approach taken to the issue during 1995 – 2001 when, only after dangerous conflict, the issue of logging Old Growth Forest was resolved.

It is understandable that timber industry workers fear the end of an era.

However they, more than anyone else, know that we have pushed our forests to their limit. Their long term employment will be in plantations for timber and in the enormous task of maintaining and protecting the native forests, which they have grown to respect and enjoy.

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**Emily Primrose Will Be Doing Cooking Demonstrations at the Karragullen Expo!**

**So Who Is Emily Primrose?????**

I'm a Psychologist, specialising in the areas of Addictions and also in Women's Health and Well being.  
 I'm a married mum with two daughters.  
 When I'm not working in Health Promotion, I teach cooking classes and I also run my own jewellery business and Baby Massage business.  
 As you can imagine I am always busy! So cooking for me needs to be quick, healthy, nutritious and delicious!  
 I travel as much as I can whenever I can (which is never often enough!) and I choose travel destinations based on the cultural food experiences I can have there. Most recently, in March this year, I went to Switzerland and visited cheese and chocolate factories, sampled a million croissants in Paris and ate a truck load of sausages in Germany. It was deliciously fattening! ☺ My strangest food travels include eating horse in Mongolia, accidentally ordering dog in China (OMG!!!) and drinking beer with the King of Swaziland in Africa.



**PIONEERS' REUNION IN ROLEYSTONE**

*The City of Armadale is inviting residents who have lived in the City for 50 years or more, to come to the annual Pioneers' Reunion on Saturday 5 October from 2pm at Roleystone Hall on Wygonda Road, Roleystone.*

years – continually or otherwise - please contact the Mayor's Office on 9399 0175.  
 All those attending the City of Armadale Pioneers' Reunion must RSVP on 9399 0175 for catering purposes.

The Pioneers' Reunion is proudly hosted by the City of Armadale and is a chance to recognise the men and women who have made the district what it is today, both in the distant past and more recently.  
 Armadale Mayor Henry Zelones said this year is particularly significant as it is the 50th anniversary of the very first Pioneers' Reunion.  
 "The City hosted its first Pioneers' Reunion in 1963 so this year will be a particularly special celebration."  
 "A lot has changed in the past 50 years and it will be a great opportunity to reminisce on the events which have made the City of Armadale a great place to live."  
 "The Pioneers' Reunion is always a fantastic event. It is a great chance for old friends, neighbours and colleagues to get together and celebrate the City that we all love."  
 If you have not yet received a personal invitation and have lived in the City of Armadale for 50



*Above: Elanor and Dot Knuckey (nee Bettenay) and Below: Michelle and Joe Borrello. Photos taken in 2012.*







*At left: proud sponsors, Ross Anile and Sally Rainoldi.  
At right: Six year old Fae Spearman with her Mum Toni and Dad, Glen Spearman.*

generosity of Sally Rainoldi from Roleystone Orchard, that dream has now come true.

Fae was presented with her special wish – a pony called Gypsy, at Roleystone Orchard on Sunday 8th September.

Fae was diagnosed with neuroblastoma in March 2012 and has since endured countless rounds of chemotherapy, radiation, immune therapy and lengthy hospital stays. For Fae, the thought of one day having her own pony gave her a reason to stay positive and something to look forward to.

“Fae absolutely loves horses. We took her for a ride on a pony in April 2012, not long after she was diagnosed, and she has not stopped talking about it since. She is excited to have her own pony to look after and ride whenever she wants,” said Toni, Fae’s mother.

Gypsy was presented to Fae with a huge pink bow, painted pink



hooves, a pink and purple halter and lead rope, a pink grooming kit and all the horsey accessories a girl could want. “This is one of the most inspiring and heart-warming wishes I have come across during my time at Make-A-Wish,” said Scott Hine, Partnership Development Manager, Make-A-Wish.

“It’s the perfect example of a local community coming together to help make a seriously-ill child’s wish come true, with everyone chipping in to ensure Fae has the best day imaginable.”

Sally Rainoldi from Roleystone Orchard, will be agisting Gypsy free of charge and has other ponies to frolic and roam with – when she’s not being showered with love and affection from Fae of course.

Ross Anile from Roleystone SUPA IGA, provided a scrumptious feed for the guests who attended.

## *Locals Help Make Fae's Wish Come True*

Six-year-old Fae Spearman from Byford, has always dreamed of having her very own pony, and thanks to Make-A-Wish Australia, and the



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## Roley Club News

The Club is looking fantastic as we head into the beautiful spring weather, although with all the rain we have had lately you would think winter is still around!

Our new caterers, Absolute Caterers, at Windows on Wygonda Family Restaurant, continue to receive excellent feedback from our members and their guests. Most Friday nights are fully booked and both Wednesday and Saturday nights are now attracting large numbers.

The new Spring Menu is now up and running and provides a great selection including: spring lamb, eye fillet steak and fresh summer crayfish cooked to perfection. The menu also includes vegetarian options and lovely fresh salads.

Those members who attended the Father's Day Breakfast had a smorgasbord of succulent dishes. Many of our members enjoyed a wonderful family gathering. The feedback was so positive that we are looking to include a breakfast buffet once a month over the next 6 months. So keep your eyes on the noticeboard for our next one.

28th of September is Grand Final Day so get a group together and come to the Club for the big day. We will have a BBQ sausage sizzle. Wear your colours and scream for your team, the day commences at 12 noon.

The Chase the Joker competition continues on its merry way with the jackpot now up to \$1650. Many of our members come down to the Club on Mondays and Wednesday nights to be in the draw (which takes place between 6.30 and 7.00pm).

We are having a Melbourne Cup function at the Club and are presently taking table bookings. So get in quick and enjoy early bird discounts for the day. This includes live music, excellent food, competitions, sweepstakes, drinks on arrival and all the fun of a great day out. So ring the Club on 9397 5665 to reserve your seats as numbers are limited.

The Club has established a new website at [www.roleystonecountryclub.com](http://www.roleystonecountryclub.com) which lets members know about all the happenings and also advises potential members about the facilities available. So jump on, have a look and let us know what you think.

Members are also advised to make sure they have their Membership Card on them when they come to the Club. You now need to produce it to receive member's prices when you purchase drinks. This should be a great incentive for any members who have not renewed their membership or for anyone who is thinking of joining.

Members save 20% on their drink purchases! I look forward to catching up with you all over the next few weeks.

**Michael Hansen**  
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## Thai Drumming Workshop

Earlier this year, my mum Petra White, Michelle Barrett and I organised a number of drumming and dance workshops to raise money for the Christian Care Foundation for Children with Disabilities (CCD) in Thailand.

We would like to thank everyone who was generous enough to donate: The Roleystone Courier, Genesis Health Club Kelmscott, The Valley Reporter and our family and friends. In total we were able to raise and donate \$2000 which will be used to buy drums and other musical instruments for the children at CCD.

CCD currently provides care for over 500 orphans. Unfortunately, this is just a fraction of the number of children residing in Thailand government houses. More children can only be taken in, as more individuals volunteer. The three of us volunteered this July not really knowing what to expect. After two short weeks we realised that, whilst we may not have been able

to change these children's circumstances or their diagnosis, we did make a small difference on the days we did get to spend with them.

We were able to help make sure they were fed, cleaned, had clothes to wear, and then on top of this to give them one-on-one attention, play games and do activities with them. It didn't seem like a lot to us but you could see how excited and happy the kids were to receive so much attention and stimulation that it really made their day.

I would definitely recommend volunteering to everyone. While it is rather sad and confronting, it is a truly rewarding experience and really makes you appreciate what you have back home.

To find out more or to see some of their photos please visit their website or Facebook page:

[www.facebook.com/ccdthailand](http://www.facebook.com/ccdthailand)

Quintess White

## Welcoming Dr Serene Ong


Doctor Serene Ong B.D.Sc has recently started work at the Roleystone Dental Surgery. After the sudden departure of Zach Annandale, Serene was offered the opportunity and she was only too pleased to join the Roleystone Practice. Prior to this, Serene had been working in an adult dental clinic in Geraldton.

Serene is very happy to be working in a community with a country atmosphere. Many patients report that she is extremely gentle and thorough; two characteristics that make a great dentist.

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**DAVE COOPER**

*Despite the appalling weather, 37 members left their toasty confines and ventured down to the Football Club for what turned out to be, yet again, a great night!*

Two New Acts performed to rousing applause.

Dave Cooper performed a set of originals; he had written my favourite the day before!

Lucky & Johnny gave us a great cover of Bon Jovi's Wanted Dead or Alive and Tenacious D's Tribute. We'd love to see them back here again.

Dave Willis played a set with former RMC member, Gary, who now lives down south. Hawkstone's drummer Chris lent them a hand and they

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played the Sunnyboys, Alone With You especially for me!

Mike Stone, Hawkstone and Gary & Tim's Redneds also played. The End of Night Jam featured: Kim, Rick, Chris H, Enno, Jeff, Mike B, Mike S, Dave and Chris F and was a delight to hear.

Thanks to everyone for turning up and making it a great night, AGAIN!

NEW Musicians and Audience Members are ALWAYS WELCOME.

For Info contact Deb de Boer – President 9397 7007

**President Deb**



**LUCKY AND JOHNNY**

**SCHOOL HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES**

**Araluen Botanic Park** is the perfect location for indulging the kids in a fun, wholesome, educational and environment-friendly adventure during the spring school holidays.

From 10am to 2pm on the Thursdays, 3rd and 10th October, our dedicated team of qualified volunteers will conduct a range of "Spider" - themed activities, including Discovery Trails, Clay Modelling and Craft.

Charged at just \$3 children and \$4 adults, this includes Park entry and all materials. This popular program features: -

- Between 10am and 11.30am – the opportunity to participate in 3 discovery trails.
- Between 12.45pm and 2pm - clay modelling and craft.

Educational activities to explain important environmental issues.

Children are required to have their own adult supervision and it is strongly recommended that closed shoes, hat and sunscreen be worn.

Araluen Botanic Park is open every day from 9am to 6pm. For more information contact Araluen Botanic Park on 9496 1171 or [www.araluenbotanicpark.com.au](http://www.araluenbotanicpark.com.au)

**The City of Armadale** hosts its Hilarious Holidays series. All events are free, with children of all ages invited to come along and participate.

**HILARIOUS HOTDOG BOOKS**  
 Thursday 3 October, 2 – 4pm  
 Kelmscott Library, 2800 Albany Hwy, Kelmscott  
 Come and make your own joke book to share with your family and friends. Bookings are essential. Call 9399 0810.

**WHAT'S THE JOKE?**  
 Monday 7 October, 2 – 3pm  
 Seville Grove Library

This interactive musical show about jokes and humour will be presented by Andy Jones. Children will use musical instruments, chants, songs, rhymes and jokes to create their own stand-up comedy style joke. This session is suitable for five to 12 year olds. Bookings are essential. Call 9399 0800.

**SILLY SOCK PUPPETS**  
 Wednesday 9 October, 10.30 – 11.30am  
 History House Museum  
 Come and create your own sock puppet to take home. Bookings are essential. Call 9399 0670.

**PYJAMA STORYTIME**  
 Wednesday 9 October, 6.30 – 7.30pm  
 Armadale Library  
 Come along in your Pyjamas for a funny night of songs, stories and craft. All are welcome. Bookings are essential. Call 9399 0125.



# Linda's Books

supported the Roleystone Courier and now they have assisted me in my new venture. It is wonderful to be a part of an organisation that provides professional networking for established and fledgling businesses,' said Linda.

'It is truly humbling to reflect on the way they have embraced and promoted my project. My thanks also for the generosity of Gary Smith and the Manse Restaurant for their provision of a venue and their wonderful catering,' said Linda. The book 'Secrets Mothers Keep' is uplifting and it is unashamedly and proudly Western Australian. Linda's next book, Wishes For Starlight is solely based in this locality so re-enforces the centrality of our location in her work.

**Wendy Bishop McCulloch (pictured at left with Violet and Mr Kaiser) of Roleystone recently reviewed the book and wrote:**

*'Secrets Mothers Keep is a fascinating chronicle of events in the early 1900's. It was very interesting and thought provoking. I have learnt more about Australia whilst reading this book than I have in the last 50 years since arriving in WA from the UK. The author's meticulous research into the authenticity of this story is without doubt a work of real dedication. It is a thoroughly enjoyable read. This book is definitely on par with Judy Nunn and Di Morrissey. I found I couldn't put it down and I read it over 24 hours! I hope Linda J Bettenay has another one in the pipeline. I'll be buying it for sure!'*

The Business Armadale Event is free for Members and Guests **but limited spaces are available, so please book early to avoid disappointment.** Book via email : [admin@businessarmadale.com.au](mailto:admin@businessarmadale.com.au) For more information about the book please go to [www.lindasbooks.com.au](http://www.lindasbooks.com.au) or follow the progress of the release of this book on [www.facebook.com/lindasbookswa](http://www.facebook.com/lindasbookswa).

From October you can purchase Secrets Mother's Keep (in electronic or in paperback format) from: [www.lindasbooks.com.au](http://www.lindasbooks.com.au)



## BA Business Sundowner Secrets Mothers Keep

**Business Armadale will be hosting the Business and Professional Launch of the release of Linda J Bettenay's book, Secrets Mothers Keep on Monday evening 14th October at the Manse Restaurant in Armadale.**

Invitations have been issued to Business Armadale Members, significant professional people across The City of Armadale, and long term business supporters of the Roleystone Courier.

This event will feature a presentation from Linda Moore (nee Bettenay) about the inspiration behind her book and the process of getting it to market.

'I would like to thank Pieter Mulder and the Board of Business Armadale for being so supportive of our enterprise. They have always



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## Linda's Books



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### Secrets Mothers Keep

**Roleystone Book Launch**

**October 6, 2013**

**5:30 PM**

**Roleystone Neighbourhood Family Centre**

**Karragullen Expo**

**Oct 12, 2013**

**8:00 AM**

**Lance Morgan Pavilion,  
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**Business Armadale Launch**

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**Kelmscott Show**

**Oct 19, 2013**

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**Western Suburbs Soiree**

**Nov 2, 2013**

**5:30 PM**

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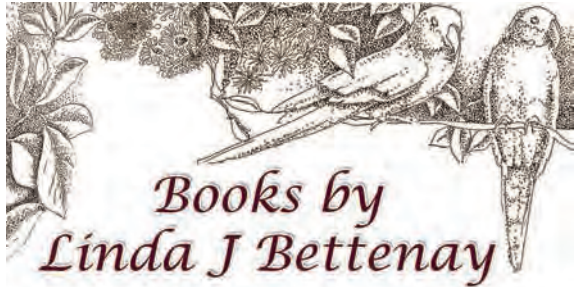
**Book Lovers Soiree**

**Nov 17, 2013**

**5.30 PM**

**Genesis in the Hills Vegetarian Restaurant  
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## From The Archives

*This is the last part of the article: 'A Visit to Canning Jarrah Saw Mills,' first published in the West Australian, 5th December 1893.*

Something more remains to be said in regard to the Zig-zag railway, a journey on which is an experience not to be missed by visitors and residents of the colony.

This piece of engineering, was surveyed by Mr White and stamps him as a man of great ingenuity.

Its cost of construction was considerable, but it stands the exceptional wear and tear due to the grades and curves remarkably well. Some of the grades are as much as 1 in 25, and the descent is remarkably interesting and stirring.

Whilst the journey is exciting there is no cause for alarm the drivers and guards are experienced so there is little danger.

Something like £100000 has been expended and all of this is foreign capital.

We returned by the regular passenger train from the mills, for the company, finding that numbers of persons, who had friends and relatives at the mills, were, in the habit of endeavouring to reach them by the timber trains, have arranged a regular bi-weekly service.

Trains now run to, and from the mills for the convenience of passengers, every Wednesday and Saturday, and the fares and rates are the same as upon the Government lines.

The service is comfortable and convenient, and those desirous of seeing picturesque scenery as well as a very important, industry should avail themselves of these facilities.

On the way back I stopped at the Perth yards of the company. These are extensive, covering about three acres, and are conveniently relocated alongside the Eastern Railway, from which 40 trucks discharge their hoards of timber in a few hours. This is stored, upon stagings, timber of all shapes and sizes; and builders and contractors can, without trouble select what they want in any quantity.

There is yet another yard owned by the company at North Fremantle, where 200 to 300 loads of timber are kept in stock, and here the important shipping and export business is done.

In reply to my question as to the future of this export trade, Mr Wilson said it was practically



*A Social Occasion at Canning Mills, circa 1890*

boundless, and was almost certain to rapidly grow.

In addition to the timber now so largely used for street making purposes, it should, he said, be valuable for building and railway purposes in the Mother Country, and should certainly ere long be extensively used for sleepers on the main lines of railway there.

The average durability of the creosoted fir sleepers now used on the British railways is only about three years, whereas jarrah sleepers had been known in this colony to last fifteen, which would more than make up for the extra first coat.

In regard to the suitability of the jarrah for building purposes, Mr Wilson showed me, adjoining the yard, the foreman's residence, beautifully constructed of jarrah, worked and painted in front to resemble stone, timber supports to prevent the dampness rising through the boards, and in fact an altogether suitable and pretty residence for this climate.

It has the additional merit of being 25 or 30 per cent, cheaper than a brick structure of the same size.



*Above: the Perth based yard for The Canning Mills Company, Kean's Timber Mills in Midland.*

*Below : The Loco 'Renown' going up the The Zig Zag*



Books by  
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Linda's Books

Secrets Mothers Keep

Review

**'Secrets Mothers Keep' is a fabulous book, written by Linda Bettenay.**

**The story is a fascinating study of the complexities of human nature. The author begins with an insight into the early years in the life of each character, creating a real sense of empathy and connection for the reader. We are then treated to the journey of their lives including: loves won and lost, friendships formed in war torn times, family ties and struggles.**

**The book also studies the effects of society's views on women at that time and sadly on the lack of knowledge and available treatment for those afflicted with serious mental illness. Sufferers were often hidden or, in this case, sent away by their families.**

**It continues through their lives with wonderful descriptions of life in a small Australian town and the trust which grows with years of friendship.**

**We are taken on a gripping roller coaster of emotions as the story builds to a violent crescendo.**

**A truly amazing, thought provoking read!**

**Pam Hunter  
Roleystone**

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Western Australia







*Mill Workers, Canning Mills, 1893.*

*Photos are from 'The White Collection' and provided by Gordon Freegard of the Pickering Brook Heritage Society.*

Speaking of the local trade in jarrah, Mr Wilson added that it was growing apace, and that the present large influx of people due to the development of the goldfields, gave the assurance that it would go on increasing.

Taken altogether, there seems a highly prosperous outlook for our important timber industry, and in this industry the Canning Jarrah Timber Company should not have the least share.

Let it be added in conclusion that already the colony is deriving considerable direct benefit from this company. In addition to the large sum which it pays in wages, over £20,000 a year, it contributes about £500 a month to the railway revenue, or about one-tenth of the total receipts, so additional interest should be felt in the fortunes of this large and flourishing concern.

*The End.*

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## The Fortieth Anniversary Game

*The day of the forty year anniversary of the Junior Tigers dawned ominously with grey clouds and thunderstorms. But the weather didn't put too many people off - it was a fantastic day! Despite the weather everyone seemed to have a great time.*

The kids were all so excited about receiving their trophies, we followed the trophy presentation with a sausage sizzle, and the kids got their faces painted as little tigers. Then the big match began!! The old boys did such a great job!!

No major injuries occurred, so that was an unexpected relief. A few stiff and sore muscles the next day tho. We gave out trophies for the worst mark, worst kick, best injury, and a few others.

28 players fronted up to start the match. (Although a couple of the younger 'old boys' came on towards the end to help out the injured and dying.)

The awards were:

- Best veteran injury - Adam Hancock
- Old Fart Award - Phill Allan
- Whipa Snappa Award - James Ostler
- Worst kick - Phill Law
- Worst tackle - Sam Saffiotti
- Shortest Torpedo - Tony Morrissey
- Worst Mark - Adam Hancock
- NAFA (not a footballers a..hole:) - Karl Turpin (who was the best umpire and auctioneer! Karl also won the 2013 club person of the year!)

The auction of Eagles jerseys, ball and Richmond jersey raised the club \$3250!! After the game the crowd was entertained by the Ferrymen and of course Kim Bettenay (our first ever 'fairest and best' recipient). Our entertainers graciously gave up their time.

Chris' kids were throwing lollipops to the audience to make them dance, so the kids had a ball! The food was amazing! Our canteen manager, Judy, did all the salads, and the meat for the spit was provided by Rob Tomeo of Karradale meats. Brian from Roleystone Family Meats butcher supplied the sausage sizzle tucker.

There are so many people we want to thank for making the day so successful that I simply can't name everybody... needless to say this little club wouldn't be as successful without the generosity, commitment, enthusiasm and spirit of the Roleystone community!!

**Nat Hale**  
Organiser  
Junior Tigers 40th Anniversary Day  
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the rain is the amount of water flowing down Stinton Creek and into the pool. It is well worth a visit to see all the water flowing over the small waterfalls along the creek.

**ACTIVITY DAYS**

Thursday 3 and 10 October- 10am to 2pm  
The popular School Holiday Activity Days are on again in Spring. These are designed to suit children from ages 3 to 14 years (accompanied by an adult please) to explore their creative side and keep them busy for hours. Activities include discovery trails from 10am to 11.30am followed by clay modelling and creative craft activities during the afternoon.

Cost: Adults \$4.00 Children \$3.00

**REMEMBRANCE DAY**

**MONDAY 11 NOVEMBER**

A special Remembrance Day Service will be held at the Grove of the Unforgotten on Monday 11 November at 1.30pm. The Department of Veterans Affairs, in conjunction with the Araluen Botanic Park Foundation, wish to extend an invitation to all members to attend this special event.

Representatives from our local schools, Service Clubs and members from Local and State Government will also attend this service.

**BENDIGO BANK CAROLS BY TORCHLIGHT**

Come and join in the spirit of Christmas in the picturesque setting of Araluen Botanic Park on Sunday 15 December. You are welcome to come early and enjoy a picnic tea before the carols commence at 7.00pm.

Fruit mince pies, tea, coffee, soft drinks and a sausage sizzle will be on sale.



*Liz Dunn  
Araluen Botanic  
Park Foundation*

**ARALUEN NOTES**

**SPRINGTIME**

Despite the rain, it has been a busy Springtime with thousands of people coming to see the tulips. The Azaleas, Camellias, Rhododendrons and Magnolias are continuing to produce masses of blooms, which could be attributed to the rain or all the loving care they get from our garden staff. I would say it's a combination of both. The other great benefit from all

**THE EARLY HISTORY OF THE RJFC 1973 - 2013**



**ABOVE: 1973  
BELOW: 1979**



*In July 1972 Alan Pearson and Jim Morrissey surveyed local boys to assess interest in playing Australian Rules Football.*

On a Saturday morning soon afterwards, 20 eager boys turned up to have a run, aged from about 4 years to 12 years old. Jim Morrissey agreed to train them.

A social match was organised against Perth Centrals. Their team was under 11 years, the Roleystone team was picked from all the boys available. **Roleystone won.** In 1973 The Roleystone Junior Football Club was established by a small number of parents in the community. The first ever committee was formed: President Jim Morrissey, Vice Presidents A Lance and Ray Pound, Secretary A Pearson and the Treasurer Mrs B Lorie.

The name TIGERS was selected with the colours, black and gold, similar to the WA State jumper. Two teams competed in the 1973 season. The U10 years was coached by Joe Valenta and the U12 years by Frank Stephenson. At the end of the season a "players tea" was held in the Old Roleystone Hall.

*Forty years later the Tigers are still going strong.*

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I recently had the privilege to visit with the volunteers and staff of the **Armadale Home Help** service.

Other than an interest in the fantastic work they do for the community in the Greater City of Armadale, I was there to present them with a Lotteries WA cheque for \$245,000.

Across the whole spectrum of need in the City, Armadale Home Help delivers services to people at the coal face, supporting and improving lives. Cheryl Samborski, the CEO, and her team are to be commended for the professionalism and passion they have for the important work they do.

### Local Government Elections

This year has been a busy one, politically. Your local council



has a busy couple of years ahead of it as it grapples with the recommended amalgamation with the Shire of Serpentine / Jarrahdale.

Given that participation in the vote is not compulsory, recent years have seen the number of electors who vote dwindle to around 25%. Please take the time to learn about your candidates and use your democratic vote to give the city the best chance of wrestling with the issues. As always, my office is here to help.

## Roleystone Bushwalkers

**BUSHWALKING** The bush is calling at the moment and the two walks planned for October are: **EAGLE HILL** on Sunday, 6th October and **KALAMUNDA RAIL FORMATION** on Sunday, 20th October.

**Our bushwalking group welcomes newcomers. The walks start at 6am and take about three hours. For more information please phone Frank or Terry on 93975225.**

## Don Randall Says Thank You to the Voters of Canning

"I am delighted but humbled by the outstanding result and I am so pleased we can now return a decent and honourable government back to the benches in Canberra. All Australians will benefit.

I am extremely grateful to the electors of Canning where one of the highest swings in the nation was achieved. Every polling booth in Canning was won, except one – but even this booth had an 11 per cent swing in our favour.

I will honour my commitments to the electorate, including \$170,000 for CCTV cameras in the Armadale CBD."



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After working with us for almost 10 years we are all very excited for Gary and look forward to the future.

All at the Roleystone Community Chemist

# TOY LIBRARY

We would like to say a big Thank You to everyone who visited our stall at the Roleystone Spring Markets, which were again a success. We were very pleased to see so many locals and visitors at this event and we had a great time talking to them about our wonderful toy library and also seeing kids of different ages enjoying our toys. Thank you to all people who purchased toys and raffle tickets which helped us raise funds for the Toy Library.

We would like to congratulate Karen Snowden from Byford and Peta Flynn from Roleystone, who were the winners of the two chocolate baskets. A special thank you goes to the Markets Committee for providing a great space to showcase our initiatives and for their support of our local not-for-profit organisation.

If you would like some further information about our Toy Library, please feel free to contact us on 0438 884 601, or by email at [roleystonetoyslibrary@yahoo.com.au](mailto:roleystonetoyslibrary@yahoo.com.au), or come and see us at the Family Centre on Wednesdays (11:30 am to 12:15 pm) or Saturdays (9:30 to 10:30 am).

Happy playing!  
Lina Uribe Rivero

Below: Belinda Bloxsome at the Toy Library stall on Market Day.



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## GARDENING NOTES By JEAN EVANS

What a delight to drive out into the countryside to see the green paddocks and the roads lined with wild-flowers.

The Swan-River-Myrtle is lovely in clumps near Roleystone, Prickly Moses all along the verges, clumps of Kangaroo Paws and even Cats Paw's and then there is the brilliant blue of the leschenaultia. It seems to be paler over in the Parkerville area than it is here.

I am so pleased with the large group of everlastings that are growing on the road reserve in front of my own garden. Most are the result of self-seeding from last year, but a friend sent me more seeds in March and I scattered them too. I only hope they will set seed next year again. One thing that I noticed as unusual is that the eye of a number of plants is jet-black, whereas most are golden yellow.

If you get the chance, try to get to the wildflower display in Kings Park or one of the many country towns which have flowers on show. Friends of mine have driven across from Victoria to view flower displays in Ravensthorpe, Esperance and Kojonup. I went south to catch up with my friends taking in the wild-flower displays, featuring so many differing varieties and species. The Esperance display was of flowers from the granite regions. Ravensthorpe had a magnificent collection of blooms.

Many Country Shows feature their own local wildflowers. By seeing what is available we can plant out our own areas, so preventing the loss of the various species.

At Esperance one of the local nurseries had plants for sale and I brought a few. I will get them planted out when the gusting winds cease to blow. Hopefully, I will achieve more shelter for the bandicoots. I know there are plenty around because of the little holes they dig.

At Newdegate I was pleased to see a number of very healthy Camellia bushes thriving in a garden on the edge of town. In the bushes just opposite were pale blue leschenaultias, as well as a number of other native plants on the roadside.

At this time of the year, take time out to look at local native orchid displays. These plants are not nearly as fussy as we are led to believe and with a modicum of looking after will reward you greatly at this time of the year.

I hope everyone takes the chance to observe the natural habitats of our native scenery, so we can create a balance of nature in our own gardens. Let us not make the mistake of losing our natural indigenous native plants, as so often happens along the road verges. Too often weeds have choked out the native plants and decimated what was once so special.

*Good gardening,  
Jean.*

## Roleystone Garden Group

The Roleystone Garden Group will be visiting the Melville Nursery and Rose Heritage Cafe, 40 Masonmill Road, Carmel on Thursday 17th October.

We car-pool at 24 Orana Way at 10am - OR meet us at the Nursery at 10.30am. Please come and join us!

*Lynn Matthews*  
9397 5784 or 0419 927 807

## NUTRITION MOVIE NIGHT A SUCCESS

*Local Mum Tiina Morton recently held a free nutrition movie night at the Family Centre to raise money for a children's nutrition charity. Demand for further screenings will see events in Rivervale and Busselton in coming weeks.*

Those who attended commented that the event was "inspirational".

Tiina Morton's efforts to bring nutritional education to local families recently resulted in the screening of the movie "Hungry for Change". The event raised much needed money for a children's nutritional charity assisting with enhanced health outcomes for regional children.

The event was well attended with a core of people dedicated to improving their health and that of their family. Some of the comments following from the event were: "inspirational", "life changing" and "eye opening". In fact, several people have reported making immediate changes to their

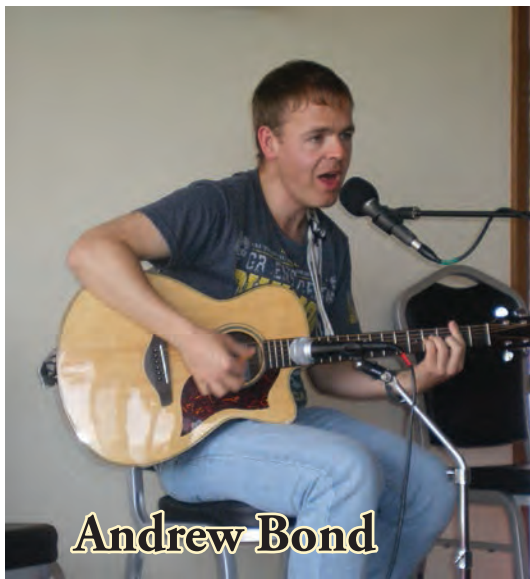
lifestyles and health choices. In addition, several people have asked for private screenings in their own homes for their family and friends to attend.

The movie puts health within reach of everyone by using simple language and easy to understand concepts. Everyone walked away inspired to make healthier changes to their lifestyle, every day diet and to add some more raw fruits and vegetables into their family's diet.

The Q&A session afterwards with health educator Helen Frost was a real opportunity for people to seek better understanding of their own lifestyle.

For those who missed the event, two events will be held in coming weeks in Riverton and Busselton. If you or a friend are interested in attending, or would like a home screening for your own family and friends, please call Tiina on 0417 45 45 65.

*Tiina Morton*



**Andrew Bond**

## It's Showtime Royal Show Tickets from our own IGA

Roleystone IGA will be pre-selling 2013 Royal Show tickets from the store at discounted prices. Plus you can gain access to the show via the IGA X-Press lane!!!

Sales will be taken from the kiosk from now until tickets run out.

The Royal Show is from 28th September - 5th October.

Tickets are as follows

**Adult tickets** (1 day entry for 1 person). Persons over 16 years of age without any valid form of concession. **IGA price \$24** Gate Price \$27.

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**Seniors Tickets** - \$16 (1 day entry for 1 person). Holders of current Senior's Card or Commonwealth Health Card. Gate price \$16. No discount is available.

**Pensioners Tickets** - \$16 (1 day entry for 1 person). Holders of current Centre link Pension card. **IGA price \$12** Gate Price \$13

**Connie Anile**

## Unplugged with Mel

A couple of new faces created great interest at the September 8th 'Unplugged Acoustic Folk Roots & Blues' session. International singer, songwriter and musician Andrew Bond, lit the room up with several self-penned songs and a couple of covers. Andrew has been living here for about 5 years and hails from the UK.

Local guitarist and general classy entertainer, Mike, provided some smooth blues guitar and vocals. At the start of the afternoon I thought I was going to be 'it' and asked the Bar Staff to phone 'Rent- A- Crowd' and with that the room filled almost instantly. By mid-afternoon it was just about standing room only in the Wygonda Lounge. A massive thank you to EVERYONE who came along. At one point I thought we would run out of time before getting everyone in front of the 'mike'.

Two thirds of 'Beatzwukin' played us through some easy listening. This band has just released their new C.D. (please take a look at their website). Our next meeting will be held on October 13th at 3pm at the Roleystone Country Club. For more details, please contact Mel on [mgyoung@westnet.com.au](mailto:mgyoung@westnet.com.au) or 0406 190 822



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## Father's Day Raffle

SUPA IGA Father's Day Raffle results

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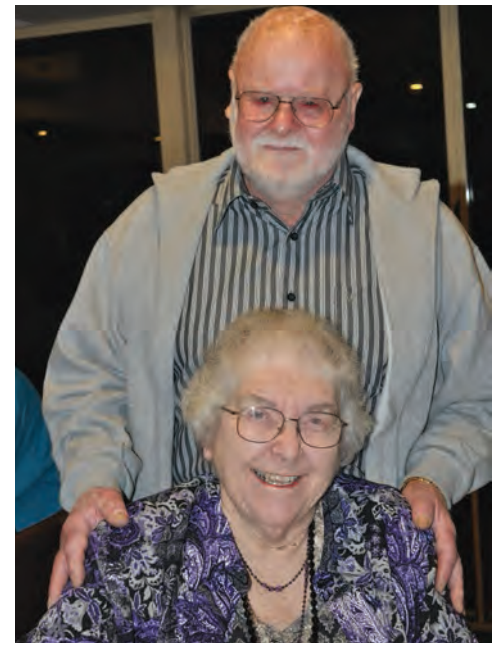
## THEATRE NEWS

# 80 Years of Performance Naomi Gates

Naomi Gates was one of the key members in the revival of Roleystone Theatre in the late 1960's and 1970's. She was the treasurer for a long period (she envies the budgets available to the Theatre nowadays). Naomi was also in charge of costumes for many productions, something she continued to do until the late 1990's.

Naomi often made all the costumes for a production. Among her favourite efforts were the costumes for: A Right Royal Commission, Not The Tricentenary and A Man For All Seasons.

Quite a lot of Naomi's costumes are still recycled in current productions – a testimony



to the quality of her work. Naomi didn't make any appearances on stage but she does have fond memories of appearing as both Aunty Jack and a Preying Mantis in a couple of the Theatre's revues.

Naomi was one of the Theatre's earliest recipients of Life Membership.

*Zyg Woltersdorf*



## Story Time In the Hills

*The Roleystone Theatre is pleased to present two NEW short plays with music written by Nicole George in this year's Storytime in the Hills (October 9, 11, 12 at 11am and 2pm daily).*

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**KYLE'S RAINBOW DAY**

Kyle: Peter Pear Carr

Sam: Rachel Wright

Kyle's Mum/Miss Scarlett: Bree Hartley

Lilah: Gemma Wright

Children in Kyle's class at school: Ava Brady, Cameron Ramsell, Kate Wright, Lucy Wright, Svenja von Dietze

**CARAMEL'S SWEET TOOTH**

The Storyteller: Rachel Wright

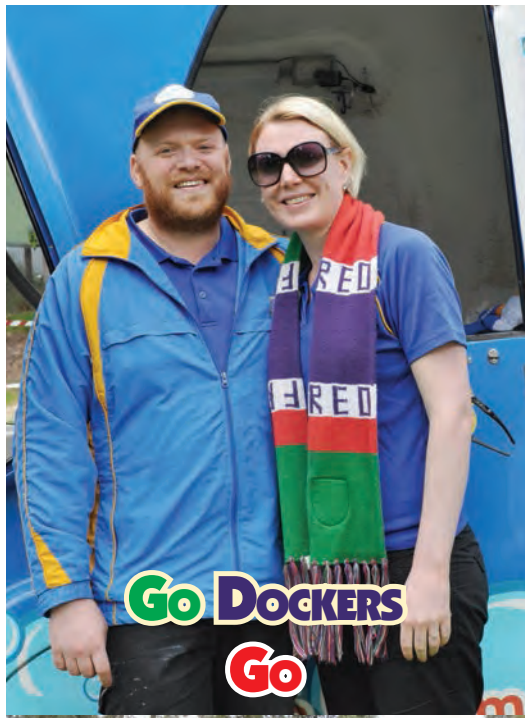
Caramel: Stephanie-Jane Lewendon-Lowe

The Pretty Dolly: Svenja von Dietze

The Toy Doctor: Bree Hartley

The other toys: Peter Pear Carr, Gemma Wright, Kate Wright





*Seen at the Roleystone Markets, Alexi and Hayley Christidis and their Dog wash van and did they mention how well the Dockers have gone this year? Has anyone mentioned to them that their van actually sports Eagles Colours!*



West Australians who buy seeds from some interstate seed suppliers by post, are now being hit with an additional cost, due to WA quarantine inspection charges.

Under changes to WA's biosecurity laws, The Department of Agriculture has confirmed it will extend a fee, which previously only applied to commercial importers, to anyone who brings seeds into the State. So this is another reason to learn to save your own seed!

At the October meeting of Roleystone Organic Grower Leesa Caldwell, president of Organic Growers of Western Australia and owner of The Greenhouse, a company that sells certified organic seeds, seedlings, and potted herbs, will be telling us all about how to save seeds. Leesa will be discussing the difference between hybrid and non-hybrid seeds, easy to save seeds, what seeds cross pollinate and how to avoid cross pollination, how to grow healthy seeds, characteristics of healthy seed-viability, vigour, size, and maturity, storage, harvesting seed. The Roleystone Organic Growers meeting will be on Wednesday October 8th, at 7:30pm in the Roleystone Family Centre, 19 Wygonda Rd, Roleystone. Entry \$3, members free. Enquiries to Lisa 9399 2312.



## SEED SAVING

Not so long ago, seed saving was part of every garden. From ancient times until our grandparents' day, favourite strains of vegetables and flowers were renewed from year to year and generation to generation, sometimes travelling long distances with a family to a new homeland.

During the 1900's we experienced a startling drop in the number of heirloom varieties—because gardeners stopped saving and trading their own seeds. When we rely on commercial seed companies, any seeds that sell slowly simply get dropped from production and disappear.

This loss of varieties translates into lower genetic variability in our food plants. Lower variability means lower adaptability to stresses such as disease or climate change. Each time a seed variety is lost, we lose another chance to feed ourselves in a world of changing climate and shrinking resources.

You can save your own seeds for free, usually, and you can save as many seeds as you like. You can easily save enough seeds to have plenty for sharing with friends and other gardeners in local or online seed exchanges.

Trading with friends can greatly increase the number of different varieties you can enjoy—without spending a cent! Saving seeds also helps to adapt plants to your own garden conditions.

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## Caroline Wielinga

I want your vote. There is more work I would like to do.

I am a local person, I live here, I love it here. I like the Hill's lifestyle and the Hill's community. I have a family, we use the local school, local shops, local park, we go to the Club, the Family Centre, we've joined in local sports and love the local concerts, markets & shows.

I have been passionate about the community and our assets here. I pushed for the skate park to keep the youth happy and hopefully out of trouble. I lobbied to make sure there was room for the Men's Shed & Community Garden, variety is the spice of our lives. I want to have the best for our community and I am still working on items for the music club, sports clubs, RVFB and the adjacent seniors accommodation.

I have also been a keen supporter of our local businesses, we have a lot to offer and I have been pushing for improved marketing of our region, including the botanical park, bush & river reserves. I have been supportive of both the orchardists who wish to continue their local production and those that want to move on. I do listen and I try to be fair.

I have gained experience in how the City and Council operate and learned about the Strategies and Policies. I am well placed to achieve more and I would like to do more for our community amenity and assets.

## Local Council Elections Jarrah Ward



## Laurie Scidone

October 19 has been set aside to conduct local government elections. I have nominated as a candidate for the Jarrah Ward which covers Roleystone, Karragullen and now Churchman's estate. The issues that are important to me are:

Fire management and mitigation – preventing a fire becoming a threat to life and property, commences in the off season by allowing volunteer fire fighters to keep pace with their prescribed burn schedule. I will seek to have an additional light tanker permanently stationed at Roleystone.

As a member of both the community garden and Men's Shed, I have seen an increase in petty vandalism. Whether Armadale police becomes a 24-hour station, I will advocate for a police presence for our community.

Local government reform and amalgamation with the Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale is a real possibility. I have remained informed of the process and will ensure our community is not disadvantaged. Having previous council experience, I am qualified to represent your concerns over the next four years.

Recently there was a vehicle roll over on Heritage Drive; the only way in and out of Araluen Estate. A permanent alternative access must be found.

Rezoning of the primary school site has been achieved. Sale of the site has stagnated. I will endeavour to see this process completed with construction of independent living housing commencing as quickly as possible.

Without your support I cannot tackle these and other issues on your behalf.

With your support I can achieve.

Laurie Scidone 0419 929 267



## Brad Anstey

People who know me, know that I have already been working for part of the community. Following a successful appeal against my rates last year, it was discovered that the Valuer General Office (VGO) had incorrectly valued some vacant land properties (30) within the City of Armadale - 75% of these being in Karragullen. This error was introduced in July 2011 and caused subsequent rating assessments for these properties to be overstated by approx. \$1,000 pa (or more in some cases). I have continually challenged both the VGO and the City of Armadale on this mistake, with this issue also being raised in Parliament (in August) - that a moral obligation exists in refunding the monies to those affected.

I am pleased to announce, that this constant lobbying has finally resulted in a recommendation to Council that ALL of those affected ought to be refunded fully!

For several years now, the City of Armadale has been one of the highest rated Councils in the Perth metropolitan area. The Council's financial reports over the last 4 years have shown significant annual revenue surpluses being accumulated and carried forward into the following years' budgets indicating the Council has been unable to complete some budget programs in a timely manner. In addition to this and over the same period, the City of Armadale has doubled its Reserve accounts to over \$53M.

If elected, I will be applying close scrutiny to the program of works which make up the budget, and ensuring that clear justification exists to continue funding for them. They do NOT get an automatic approval on the simple basis that 'it was done last year'. Also on my priorities is investigating methods in which to spread the rate burden more evenly across the community than at present. As well as examining the Council's policies on accumulating Ratepayer money into Reserve accounts, and reviewing the effectiveness of the current program of works financing strategy. I will support local businesses, and encourage new business and employment opportunities for the community, and most importantly level rates comparable to the lowest in the metropolitan area.

My aim is for better financial management, so that other community services will become available to the people of the City of Armadale.

Authorised By B. Anstey, 5 Eneabba Place, Armadale, WA 6112

## Theo den Haan

My family and I have lived in the City of Armadale for the last 40 years with the last 28 years having been in Karragullen.

Having recently retired I find myself in the position to use the skills, knowledge and experience gained during my career for the betterment of the community in which we live. Prior to retirement I worked both as an employee and a self employed consultant in the mining and aviation industries locally throughout Western Australia and overseas in Papua New Guinea. From my career experiences I am able to bring the following to bear on the position of Councillor:

General and strategic management experience;

Change management skills with both organisations and communities;

A balance of corporate and operational experience;

Strong facilitation and negotiation skills;

Understanding of and empathy to the needs of local and external stakeholders.

If elected I would apply all my skills, knowledge and experience to the issues facing our community including, but not exclusive to others, the ever present danger of bush fires in the Jarrah Ward, community infrastructure and recreation requirements and strive to make our community a better and safer place to live.



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1. City of Armadale, Your Rates at Work (2009/10 & 2012/13)  
2. City of Armadale, Annual Reports - 2009/10, 2010/11, 2011/12 and Annual Budget 2013/14. The budget surplus percentage represents an averaged value over 4 years.

**The first step to a better Council, is for YOU to change the current one!**

**Vote For  
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Local Government Elections  
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## Roleystone Microchipping Morning

At the Roleystone Neighbourhood Family Centre

Saturday, October 5, 2013

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We all love the beautiful bushlands of Roleystone and so do our precious wildlife. Together we can make a difference in controlling the stray cat problem and follow the new laws set out by local government. Every domestic cat owner will need to have their Cat Sterilised, Microchipped and Registered by the 1st November.

Come along to the Roleystone Microchipping Morning, cost \$66 on the day. This service is provided by Foothills Animal Hospital. Register on the Roleystone Neighbourhood Family Centre's Facebook page and come along and get you moggie fixed up.

## Practical Response to New Cat Laws

In preparation for the enforcement of new cat laws beginning 1 November 2013, where all cats over 6 months of age are required to be desexed, microchipped and registered with the local area councils; **Roleystone Animal Hospital** would like to make all of Roleystone Courier readers aware of a low cost cat desexing & microchipping scheme called "Desex in the West", that is being provided by Australian Veterinary Association (AVA) member clinics in partnership with the AVA and supported by the Department of Local Government and Communities.

Many veterinarians believe that desexing (surgically removing reproductive organs under a general anaesthetic) not only helps solve the serious problem of unwanted pet overpopulation, but also makes for friendlier, easier-to-live-with pets. Spayed cats are more relaxed, whilst castrated males are less likely to roam, urine-mark their territory, or fight with other cats. This not only reduces the number of fight wounds that require veterinary attention, but also reduces the chances of cats contracting feline AIDS. Desexing also has other health benefits; it helps to minimize the risk of cancers, not only of the reproductive organs in both male and female cats, but also of the mammary glands in females.

At **Roleystone Animal Hospital**, all of our desexed patients receive pain relief at the time of their surgery, and female cats go home with easy to administer pain relief as well, to ensure they have a speedy & comfortable recovery.

This scheme is offered to low income cat owners, who have a valid pension or healthcare card. Participating vet clinics provide a **\$50 discount** off the normal price of female cat spays and male castrates, and provide a **FREE** microchip (approximate value: \$66) at the same time. There is no limit to the number of cats per owner or household who are eligible for the discount. The "Desex in the West" scheme is only available for a limited time, so we urge you to take advantage of this offer before funding runs out.

More information on participating vet clinics is available from the AVA WA ([avawa@ava.com.au](mailto:avawa@ava.com.au)), or on their facebook page.

Kind regards,  
**Dr Yoko Clinch BSc BVMS (Hons) MANZCVS CMAVA**  
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*Pictured: The Roleystone Animal Hospital Cat, all microchipped and ready to go.*



## Roley Bushcare Notes Marri Canker Workshop was very informative



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A workshop was organised in Roleystone recently, to discuss the worrying trend with marri (*Corymbia calophylla*) in our area. Roleybushcare invited Professor Giles Hardy and his associate, Dr Trudy Papp to give a presentation to our community.

Professor Hardy is the Director of the Centre of Excellence for Climate Change Woodland and Forest Health at the School of Biological Sciences and Biotechnology Murdoch University, Western Australia.

Before the workshop, Dr Ian Colquhoun (Chairperson of Roleybushcare) and Pat Hart (Chairperson of SERCUL) took our guests to see the marri trees along Croyden Road. At the workshop we were given an outline of the disease and an explanation on how they were progressing. Many years of work are ahead for the researchers.

Some "Citizen Science" help will be requested at times. They are preparing an App for mobile phones. The broad community will be able to take a photo of a marri tree and then log some information into a prepared form directly on your mobile phone. This will automatically give the GPS of the tree and then it will be sent to be processed by Murdoch researchers. We will promote the app on our website when it is finished.

APOLOGIES TO ANY VOLUNTEERS WHO TURNED UP AT OUR LAST FIELD DAY.

We had to cancel the September field day. Ian checked the area at 7.00am and found the ground was too muddy and we risked spreading dieback disease. The decision to cancel is always hard but sometimes the weather makes working under trees unsafe for our volunteers. At other times the decision is based on whether the reserve is dieback-free or not.

A cancellation notice was posted on our website and an email was sent to registered people.



**TERRY IAN JOHN AND TIM GETTING THE TRAILER READY**

### NEXT FIELD DAY

This will be a dieback treatment day. It will be held on Sunday 13th October between 9.00am and noon at Warwick Savage Park. Go to Simons Drive, Roleystone. A sign will be on the road.

Note: Please check our website at 8.00am on the morning of the field day or ring Ian on 0427800732 just in case we have issued a cancellation notice.

## The Threat of Marri Canker

In Roleystone/Karragullen and throughout the hills we are seeing mass deaths and declines of Marri trees of all ages. Last Saturday we had Professor Giles Hardie here, advising us that at this stage, they do not know how to stop or slow down the Marri canker. This is endemic but for some reason it is killing the Marri trees.

Even worse was his information that there is also a more insidious disease than marri canker that is adding to the fast decline. They believe this pathogen came in from the Eastern States on the blue gums used for the plantations down south. This affects the new shoots and leads to the thinning of the leaves which is clearly seen on the Marris. Once again there is no known method to stop it.

The whole landscape is changing and in the next 10 years we will see a massive

change with mainly under storey and some Jarrah.

We are absolutely concerned and hope the scientists will find quickly some way we can save at least some Marri trees.

I have recently heard that the State Government is allowing the destruction of Marri Trees in our State forests in order for the Jarrah trees to grow stronger so they can then be used for Forrest products. Professor Giles advised us that the Marri trees growing in the forest away from man's impact eg roads, housing etc do not at this stage appear to be impacted by the Marri canker and yet here we have these strong healthy Marri trees being ring barked. This is outrageous; words fail to describe what is occurring.

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*Pat Hart*

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Councillor Caroline Wielinga  
Deputy Chair Development Committee  
Deputy Chair City Strategy Committee

Items raised by Cr Wielinga

Items raised: Feb 2010, Cr Wielinga: That the matter of lighting at Cross Park be referred to the Technical Services Committee. May 2010, Cr Wielinga: That the matter of the safety of the retaining wall at Borrello Park be assessed. Jun 2010, Cr Wielinga: That the matter of **verge replanting by developers** in new developments be referred to the Development Services Committee. Jul 2010, Cr Wielinga: That the matter of Public Open Space Strategy Trust Fund Account Expenditure proposals for Precinct I Roleystone and consideration of proposals for the **upgrade to the skate park** at Cross Park and installation of public toilets at Borrello Park be referred to the City Strategy Committee. Dec 2010, Cr Wielinga: That the matter of **additional greenwaste collection** for bushland regions be referred to the Technical Services Committee. Either a green waste bin or bulk verge collection in January. Mar 2011, Cr Wielinga: That the matter of **developing detailed standards** of specifications (and a **summary pamphlet**) specifically for **verge landscaping opportunities** and constraints for residents in bushland regions be referred to the Technical Services Committee. Apr 2011, Cr Wielinga: That the matter of the accuracy and bias of the content of the 'fire retardant garden' brochure and possible revision of the brochure be referred to the City Strategy Committee. Sep 2011, Cr Wielinga: That the matter of an Urban Green Strategy be referred to the Technical Services Committee. Nov 2011, Cr Wielinga: That the matter of the co-location of the children's playground, the toilet and barbeque facilities with the youth activity area at Cross Park be referred to the City Strategy Committee. Nov 2011, Cr Wielinga: That the matter of roadside conservation in urban bushland areas be addressed via a report and consideration of appropriate changes to local laws and policies. Jan 2012, Cr Wielinga: That the matter of accommodating Youth Services in the City's new Civic building be referred to the City Strategy Committee. Jan 2012, Cr Wielinga: That the matter of passive solar design be considered as part of the review of the medium density housing policy. Feb 2012, Cr Wielinga: That the matter of senior reporting supervision and delegated authority of the City Projects team be referred to the City Strategy Committee. Feb 2012, Cr Wielinga: That the matter of reviewing the Landscaping Guidelines to include **"Fire Conscious"** plants be considered in the 2012-13 annual budget. Feb 2012, Cr Wielinga: That the matter of an **allocation in the 2012-13 annual budget for a bushcare crew** be considered. Feb 2012, Cr Wielinga: That the matter of the Fletcher Park trail assessment be included in the 2012/2013 budget. May 2012, Cr Wielinga: That the matter of **extending the footpath, parking and kerbing in front of the Roleystone College** be referred to the Technical Services Committee. May 2012, Cr Wielinga: That the matter of a letter of support for the continuation of the **"Springtime in Araluen"** Festival be forwarded to the Local Members of Parliament as part of the City's Tourism and Marketing Strategy. Jun 2012, Cr Wielinga: That the matter of the Government's proposed light rail system be referred to the City Strategy Committee. Jun 2012, Cr Wielinga: That the matter of the **Tourism & Marketing Strategy budget** aspects be referred to the City Strategy Committee. Jun 2012, Cr Wielinga: That the matter of the Indoor Aquatic Centre Project (Funding Location & Staging of the Project) be referred to the City Strategy Committee. Jul 2012, Cr Wielinga: That the matter of developing a Council Policy regarding councillor's being informed of functions events and meetings within their ward prior to these occurring within the community be referred to the Community Services Committee. Jul 2012, Cr Wielinga: That the matter of the Environment Management Plan for the Golf Course be referred to the Technical Services Committee. Jul 2012, Cr Wielinga: That the matter of the **future planning of orchard areas** be referred to the Development Services Committee. Jul 2012, Cr Wielinga: That the matter of the report on POS Strategy - Precinct I be submitted as soon possible after the completion of the Parks & Reserves Facilities Strategy. Aug 2012, Cr Wielinga: That the matter of TPO information being added to the City's website to enable easy access to information be considered. Aug 2012, Cr Wielinga: That the matter of a summary and update on the original economic rationale and modelling for the Keane Road Project be provided. Oct 2012, Cr Wielinga: That the matter of the verge treatment program be referred to the Technical Services Committee. Oct 2012, Cr Wielinga: That the matter of housing density around public open space be referred to the Development Services Committee. Oct 2012, Cr Wielinga: That the matter of **Free Wifi Access in the Mall** be considered as part of the **improvements for the Mall**. Nov 2012, Cr Wielinga: That the matter of the **Federal ban of the use of Fenthion** Pesticide be referred to the Development Services Committee. Nov 2012, Cr Wielinga: That the matter of potential east-west routes for light rail be investigated and identified within the Local Planning Strategy. Nov 2012, Cr Wielinga: That the matter of capacity of the intersections at Skeet Road / Ranford Road and Armadale Road / Nicholson Road to accommodate the additional traffic in the event of the Keane Road link not being provided be reported on. Mar 2013, Cr Wielinga: That the matter of cost estimates for the Keane Road project be referred to the Technical Services Committee. Mar 2013, Cr Wielinga: That the matter of the **Karragullen Quarry**, its license and management plan be assessed. Apr 2013, Cr Wielinga: That the matter of design and timing of proposed roadworks and the impact on the road network arising from predicted traffic growth in the event of Keane Road not being completed be reported. Apr 2013, Cr Wielinga: That the matter of the possibility of the Canning River Development Contribution Plan including a pedestrian footbridge over the Canning River in Kelmscott should there be a Development Contribution Plan for that area be considered. Jun 2013, Cr Wielinga: That the matter of the possibility of a Strategy to assist in advancing disadvantaged community members be referred to the City Strategy Committee. Jun 2013, Cr Wielinga: That the matter of the possibility of a management plan or policy for the method of construction of firebreaks be referred to the Community Services Committee. Jun 2013, Cr Wielinga: That the matter of the possibility of a vehicle access policy for the City's reserves be referred to the Technical Services Committee.



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### Skate Park

Isn't it great to see the amount of people, young and old, using the skate park now it is nearly finished. And when I say nearly finished, it is only the surroundings that need work.

The park itself was getting a really good work out from a variety of two, three and four wheeled pieces of equipment on Sunday. It was great to talk to some of the people using the park who were so enthusiastic about how good our skate park is.

One of the teething problems is the surrounding mulch ends up on the skating surface but all of the young people there were taking turns to sweep it clean. Further work will be undertaken for the surrounding landscaping which will take into account how the facility is being used.

An official skate park opening is currently being planned and the community will be invited shortly.

Everyone I have spoken to about our new skate park has been very positive. This is a great outcome for all the people who had the vision and passion to support this project for all the years it has taken to finally achieve this fantastic youth area.

### Fire Breaks and Burning Permits

Even though it is still bucketing down with rain, now is the time to start the preparations for making your property fire safe for the coming hot season. Three metre fire breaks must be installed around properties by 30 November.

If your property has rocky outcrops, or some other odd areas that a fire break can't be installed, then a variation needs to be applied for in writing before 1 November.

This gives time for a Ranger to inspect your property before a variation is granted. Burning permits must be obtained from 1 October until 31 November after which all burning is prohibited.



Cr Grant Nixon  
0418449611



Cr Caroline Wielinga  
0488 900 307

### Borello Park Toilets

After nearly three years of discussion, Borello Park is going to get a toilet. This has been a hotly debated item with surveys, petitions, a toilet strategy and comments occurring before finally being passed at the latest council meeting.

With new locally designed and constructed toilets now available here in WA, it has been possible to free up an amount of \$114,000 for reallocation to other projects.

***This means we can build the toilet, improve the existing facilities at Borello Park AND rehabilitate Warwick Savage reserve with the Public Open Space funding available.***

Some of the upgrades suggested are improved play equipment, barbeques and shade sails.

### Asset Management Plans

The City has just completed Asset Management Plans covering Roads, Stormwater Drainage, Pathways, Public Open Space and Buildings. Our population in the City of Armadale was 71,238 at the end of 2012 and will increase to over 122,000 people in the next 15 years. This increase in population will increase our assets from \$795 million to \$1.3 billion.

These documents should provide a solid foundation on which to base improvements, and funding of operations, maintenance, upgrades, renewals and replacement of infrastructure assets over a 15 year period.

As you can see from these amazing numbers, these documents (375 pages worth) have taken our officers lots of research, time and effort to write but they form such an important tool in the City, managing our money, and our assets, to the levels of service we expect.

**Grant and Caroline**

## Caution

It has been reported that, recently four ladies have experienced disturbing events while driving locally in our area. On one evening a lady driver was forced from the road by an aggressive driver while on Urch Rd. All events have been reported to the Police. Drivers are reminded to be cautious, have your car locked and do not leave the car if you are in any way concerned.

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## September Weather

Weather Statistics David Elliott:  
Your Official Roleystone Weather Site.

### September Rainfall

Year	mm	# days
2007	158.4	20
2008	101	17
2009	168	24
2010	70.6	9
2011	153	16
2012	150.4	16
2013	193	18

### September Average

108.7 on 14 days  
Total Jan 1 to September 22nd 2013 917.2 on  
118 wet days Average to  
September 30th 909.5 on  
95 days

The rainfall this month is really interesting. Between the 26th August and 22nd September, there were only TWO days when rainfall was not recorded in Roleystone. The current rainfall total from 1 to 22 September is 193.0. The last time it was as wet as this in Roleystone was in 1971 when 225.6mm of rain was recorded for the whole month. We have still got 8 days to go and rain is forecast for the next 5 days.

## Courier Deadline Dates

2013/2014

Month	Deadline	Delivery
NOVEMBER	23 October	2 November
DECEMBER	27 November	7 December
JANUARY		no publication
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## ROLEYPOOL - COLLINS WAY by Pat Hart



### Old Diving Board at Roleypool

*Collins Way, the one way street that sits above Roleypool, was named after a Roleystone resident who spent many years teaching children and adults how to swim at Roleypool.*

Mr Harry Collins played a significant role in the late 1920's and 1930's at Roleypool gaining his certification as a teacher of Life Saving from the Royal Life Saving Society at Roley Pool in 1922 and remained a member of the Society until his death in 1945. Mr Collins was born in Victoria 1877 and later made his way to Western Australia. He purchased an orchard in Roleystone on the corner of Brookton Highway and Holden Road which he called 'Waitangi' where he lived with his wife Hannah. They had two children - Bessie and Reg.

Mr Collins was involved with the Roleystone Progress Association for many years and was at one time the Chairman.

Mr Collins married Hannah Buckingham, the daughter of Thomas and Hannah Buckingham, the first family to take up major land holdings in Roleystone. Mr Collins worked his property until his death on 11 October 1945 at the age of 68. He is buried alongside Hannah in Kelmscott.

The Roleystone Swimming Club was formed during Mr Collin's time and he was their official instructor. Many swimming carnivals were held there over the years with teams from Pickering Brook, Kelmscott and other metropolitan clubs competing.

In 1936 the Armadale Kelmscott Roads Board spent 40 pounds deepening the pool by blasting. Roleypool continued for many

years as the key summer venue for Roleystone, Karragullen and surrounding communities. The Roleystone Progress Association had a close association with Roleypool and were responsible for the diving board replacements and also built change rooms at the site.

The Canning Dam construction in the late 30s and early 40's, did impact the summer flow, but it was still enough for the community to enjoy swimming at the site. Once Canning Dam was connected to the Wungong Dam and was not allowed to overflow, this reduced the scouring of the Pool and reduced flow considerably and the quality of the water for swimming declined. In the mid 60's the Pool was closed by the Road Board due to health issues and the weeds took over the site. In the mid 90's, Armadale Gosnells Landcare chose the site as a focal point when they set up their organisation.

Roleypool and its surrounds leading out to Soldiers Road are now looking great although swimming is not recommended due to the many snags in the pool and low flow in summer.

**NB: No spiritual article received this month.**

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# TIGERS 2013 SEASON



*I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has been involved in the Tigers Football Club for the 2013 season.*

Thanks to our fantastic sponsors, we were able to purchase new equipment for the club and complete minor projects on the premises. I would like to also thank all of our supporters for coming along to our games both home and away, rain, hail or shine.

To the players: we may not have won many games this year but we have shown how well we play when we train hard and attack the football head on. You have shown great team work and mateship this year and it has been a pleasure to spend my Tuesday and Thursday nights with you at training (plus all day Saturdays at every game). Hopefully I will be seeing everyone again in the 2014 season. Hopefully we will see lots of new faces too!

I would like to thank our many volunteers who help out around the club. Particular thanks goes to: Lewis Douglas, Neil Bennet, Maria Caccetta, Hazel Lewis, Carole Casotti, Sharon Mortimer and Belinda Castafaro.

Plus there are many others who help out on game day; you all make the Club run smoothly. A special mention too goes to Renae Fenner for organising our fundraising events. Renae did an amazing job and her

efforts raised over \$4000.00 this year for The Club.

Thank you to our coaches: Rick Uchtman, Robbie Pearce and Andrew Walkley.

All three have spent many hours preparing, training and coaching the boys this year. We are happy to announce that Rick will continue to coach in 2014. He is full of new training ideas and coaching methods to encourage the boys to train hard and work together as a team.

Our thanks to the committee: Matthew Walkley – President, Sean Kenworthy – Vice President, Leesa Weaver – Treasurer, Lisa Casotti – Secretary, Adam Casotti – Registrar, Kirk McConachy, Jake Lewis and Mitchell Lewis. We have had a great year working on all 'things football' around the Club and I'm glad that I am involved in this wonderful Tigers Team.

Roleystone Senior Football Club will be holding their **AGM** on Sunday 27th October 2013. If you think you've got what it takes to be a part of our committee, or would love to be involved in this Club in any capacity, please contact Lisa Casotti on 0400 980 116.

All positions will be declared open at the AGM and the Club would like to see new faces bringing new and fresh ideas to the table.

**Lisa Casotti**  
*Secretary*



## United Medfly Vigilance

The Department of Agriculture and Food WA will share a tent with FruitWest, Hills Orchard Improvement Group and AgroFresh at the Karragullen Expo to present a united front on common horticulture issues.

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## TENNIS NEWS:

### WENDY TUCKER

**ANNUAL OPEN DAY:**  
 On Sunday 15th September we held our Annual Open Day. We had about 25 people attend including our Patron Pat Hart and Life Members Virginia Bird and Jim Brayshaw. We also managed to get quite a few sets of tennis in because of the lovely weather. The Club Person of the Year Award went to Tracey Backhouse for all of her efforts on behalf of the Club. Well done and thanks from everyone at the Club Tracey, we really appreciate everything you do for us. *Tracey is pictured at centre left.*

**COURT CLEANING BUSY BEE:** Thanks to everyone who attended the busy bee and has helped out in court cleaning. We are gradually making progress with the court cleaning but it is a very time consuming task.

**COMING EVENTS**  
**SPRING TOURNAMENT**  
 This year the Spring Tournament will be held on Sunday 20th October. This will commence about 9.30-10.00am. Please put your name down at the Club if you are available or email [roleystonetennisclub@yahoo.com.au](mailto:roleystonetennisclub@yahoo.com.au). The cost will be \$10.00 with lunch and prizes included.



**FULLER CUP**  
 Our Annual Fuller Cup Event will be held on consecutive Monday nights: 11th, 18th and 25th. This will be a team event and sign-up sheets will be at the Clubhouse soon. We will have timed sets and a supper to finish each night - the cost will be \$10.00 per night.

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## Roleystone Bowls Report: Gerry Chapman

Winter is officially over. However, no one told the weather gods because we have had to consistently cancel Saturday and Wednesday events.

We did run our open day on Sunday and those who attended had a great time. In anticipation of fine weather, we will continue to play on Saturdays and Wednesdays. You are welcome to participate.

If you want an activity that will get you outdoors with a great bunch of people and engage in a challenging competition but one that is just fun, then come down to the

Country Club on Wednesday or Saturday afternoons.

You may have seen our flyers and be aware that there are some benefits to joining now - a reduced annual fee and an offer from local businesses.

As the days warm up and the jumpers get put away, as the clouds disperse and the great outdoors beckon, come down and join in.

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Happy Bowling.

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### October begins with moonless evening skies.

Early risers will see the waning crescent moon in the morning sky. New moon (no moon) is on the 5th. After that comes the waxing crescent moon, the evening crescent. The thin, new crescent moon should be visible low in the western sky at nightfall on the 6th. Thereafter, it'll become a progressively fatter crescent and will be setting later and later, day by day. First quarter, evening half moon phase, is on the 12th. Full moon's on the 19th, when moonrise will be about half an hour after sunset. Last quarter's on the 27th - the morning half moon phase. Then the waning crescent phases lead to the next new moon on November 3rd.

In the early evening of October 7th, the skinny crescent moon forms a triangle with Mercury and Saturn; Mercury being the object at the left corner of the triangle. On the 8th the moon's up higher, near brilliant Venus.

On the 9th it's up level with Antares, the principal star in Scorpius. Note the phenomenon of "earthshine" dimly illuminating the shadowed portion of the moon, early in its cycle i.e. on the 7th to the 10th.

Earthshine is sunlight that reflects off the Earth and reaches the moon, and the effect is most pronounced when there's a fairly small angle from the sun to the Earth to the moon.

If you hear news of a lunar eclipse at full moon on the 19th and/or a solar eclipse

at new moon on November 3rd, don't get revved up. Neither eclipse is visible from Australia.

Venus is the dominant evening planet, standing quite high in the western sky at dusk. Its setting time goes from about 9:40pm in early October to around 10pm mid-month and 10:15pm late in the month. Mercury's also visible - it's low down, just to the south of west, in the early evening. Its setting time is about 8pm in early October and around 8:15pm mid-month. It'll disappear into the solar glare in the last week of the month.

Jupiter is the dominant morning planet. It rises from the ENE horizon at about 2:10am at the start of October, then steadily earlier: 1:15am mid-month, and just after midnight at month's end. Mars is visible in the early morning sky as well: look for it fairly low in the NNE at first light. The silly story about Mars looking "as big as the full moon" is still doing the rounds on the internet, and it's no more correct than it was 10 years ago. Mars is never ever going to look as big as the full moon when you're standing on Earth and eyeballing it.

Will the wintry, cloudy, wet weather stop soon? At Perth Observatory we really hope so, because our public star viewing programme has just started up again. Phone 9293-8255 for info and bookings, or check our website [www.perthobservatory.wa.gov.au](http://www.perthobservatory.wa.gov.au).

**Greg Lowe,  
Perth Observatory**

## The Seniors Events Coming Up



There are some special events coming up over the next few months at the Seniors.

- On October 2<sup>nd</sup> there is a Neighbourhood Watch meeting starting at 1.00pm.
- On October 16<sup>th</sup> the Roleystone Seniors will be travelling to Cannington for 'An Evening at the Greyhounds'. The cost is \$35 which includes: the meal, glass of wine or beer and a \$2 betting voucher. Book by October 4<sup>th</sup> by phoning Jean on 93906114.
- On November 5<sup>th</sup> the Seniors will again be celebrating the running of the Melbourne Cup. Come for the Lunch - 2 scrumptious courses for only \$20. There will be a hat prize, door prizes and plenty of games. BYO. Advise and pay by 25/10 by phoning Jean on 93906114 or 9496262. Bookings are essential.
- November 12<sup>th</sup> will be the very successful Bendigo Bank Seniors Morning Tea. Come and join us.
- On December 16<sup>th</sup> The Seniors Club will be holding their Xmas lunch at The Manse Restaurant. The cost will be approx \$30. BYO drinks. Advise by 2/12 and pay by 9/12 ringing Pauline on 93975498. Bookings are essential.

**Albert Chambers  
President, Roleystone Seniors**



## Wild Gossip: Snail Pellets Kill

I have admitted a lot of dead and dying bandicoots recently and have also found 4 dead and two dying on my own property.

This makes me think that somebody is putting down snail pellets, which along with killing snails, most certainly kills our precious wildlife.

Snail pellets kill bandicoots, possums, bobtails and a wide variety of birds including magpies, ravens, kookaburras, all of which (except the possums) would have eaten the snails and solved the problem!

Snail pellets also kill dogs and cats and can make children really sick. This poison remains active on the ground for quite some time. I have suggested natural solutions before but will try again in an attempt to stop this ongoing carnage of our precious wildlife.

- Stop poisoning the wildlife that would naturally eat snails.
- Scatter crushed egg shells or sand grit around plants to protect them.
- Use other natural barriers such as wood chips, ash, wood shavings or

sawdust.

- Garlic or wormwood sprays are a natural deterrent.
- Beer in a shallow dish is a good trap as the snails go in for a drink, get drunk and drown.
- Free range some poultry and have the benefit of fresh eggs.
- Inverted grapefruit or orange halves, pots or boards placed in the snail area, make an excellent trap but will need to be checked each morning.
- Copper banding or barrier tape round plants will give snails a sort of electric shock to deter them.

There are many other natural remedies that can be used instead of deadly poisons which kill unintended things and pollute our environment. Once you start to use the natural remedies a balance is restored and everything starts to work together so all problems decrease. Our wildlife is very precious and needs to be protected for future generations to enjoy.

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In August, the Roleystone Singers played host to fellow 'Sing Australia' members from Rockingham and Fremantle. It ended up being an extra special event because Colin Slater, the Founder of Sing Australia, came along too. Colin gave us some pointers on singing harmony and brought us up to date on some changes at Sing Australia.

A good night was had by all, with lots of singing and jokes. A fond goodbye was given to one of our members Russell, who is leaving Roleystone to live in the Rockingham district.

A fantastic array of food was provided by ten members of the Roleystone group, enough to feed about sixty I think.

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Social afternoons every fourth Friday of the month, after carpet bowls.  
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Every Wednesday	Indoor Bowls	9.45 am	\$3.00
Last Wednesday	Book Club	1pm	
Wednesday evening	Relaxation	6.30pm	\$8
Every Thursday	Yoga	9.30 am	\$10/\$12
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## COMMUNITY GARDEN

*The Community Garden is thriving.* We recently installed four garden beds which were purchased from Water Wise tanks. Several of these new beds were part funded by a generous donation from Doreen Macek.

These beds will be under production in the next few weeks with one bed to be used by the Girls Brigade. We now have 14 garden beds.

If you are interested in gardening, growing your own fresh vegetables then any of our beds are available for hire. Prices start at \$50 per year plus membership. Full terms are available on our website; [www.roleygarden.com.au](http://www.roleygarden.com.au).

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The first weekend in September was the third of the market days organized by the Roleystone Markets Committee. With the car boot sale set up across the road, it appeared less people attended. Judging by the number of cars on Jarrah and Robin Roads, you wouldn't think so.

This time around the kid's activities were located next to the garden, making it easier to promote the garden. An increased number of inquiries regarding membership were received. We can now count Tony Jacobs of the Bendigo Bank as a member. Congratulations Tony. We also must thank Tony for his contribution to the day by collecting fresh produce for our stall from local producers. Seedlings raised by our members didn't last too long. Congratulations to Maria and her committee for such a well organised and well run event.

We look forward to the next market in December. Until next time.

*Laurie Scidone  
Chairman*



*Pictured above: Peggy Spicer, Gilbert and Jo. See more pictures inside front cover.*



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